



Family of Formidable victims visit Lyme for centenary year

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RELATIVES of those who died in the sinking of HMS Formidable in Lyme Bay 100 years ago visited the town this week for a service organised by the Royal British Legion.

The Lyme Regis branch of the Royal British Legion commemorated the sinking of HMS Formidable by German torpedo on New Year's Day 1915 with a ceremony held in the town cemetery yesterday (Tuesday), exactly 100 years to the hour after a funeral service was held for those who died.

HMS Formidable, the first battleship to be sunk in action during the First World War, was struck by a torpedo from the German submarine U24 at about 1.30am on January 1st 1915, about 30 miles south west of Lyme Regis. Of the 780 aboard, 35 officers and 512 men died.

Several boats, including an overloaded sailing pinnace carrying 71 men, launched from the ship after it was hit. The pinnace drifted away in the stormy sea and was soon swamped with water, with the crew fighting for survival for 22 hours before coming ashore at Cobb Gate in Lyme Regis at 11pm.

Of the 71 men aboard, 14 died and were buried at sea, 48 were brought ashore alive, six were found to be dead on arrival and a further three died after landing.

The Pilot Boat Inn became rescue headquarters, where the famed tale of Lassie the dog originated after the landlady's collie dog stayed by the side of Able Seaman John Cowan, thought to be dead, licking him and sharing her warmth until he came around.

Three of the dead were repatriated to their home towns but six of those who died were buried on January 6th 1915.

Standard bearers from 15 branches of the Royal British Legion and the Royal Naval Association started the commemoration events yesterday afternoon by marching through the cemetery before a graveside service led by the Reverend Jane Skinner.

The Exhortation was delivered by chairman of the Royal British Legion Lyme Regis branch, David



Manners, and Bryn Hawkins, bugler with the Royal Marines Lympstone, played the Last Post and Reveille as a minute's silence was observed.

Wreaths were then laid on the HMS Formidable grave by Commodore Jamie Miller of the Royal Navy; Captain Elaine Overend, secretary of the City of Liverpool branch of the Royal British Legion; relatives of those who died and survivors of the HMS Formidable; the Mayor of Lyme Regis, Councillor Sally Holman; and representatives from Royal British Legion and Royal Naval Association branches across the region.

Captain Overend was sent to represent the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, Councillor Erica Kemp CBE, who sent a letter to the Mayor of Lyme Regis thanking the town for treating HMS Formidable victim Stoker William Charles Eley, from Liverpool, as "their own son".

William Charles Eley was one of the six men buried in Lyme Regis, aged 24, and his family was repre-

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■ LEST WE FORGET: Royal British Legion members, Royal Navy personnel and relatives of those who served on HMS Formidable gather around the grave where six of the crew were buried for the 100th anniversary commemorations

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KEV "Ballonatic" Hart was born in Bournemouth and grew up in South London, running an entertainment agency before coming to Weymouth where he is now famous as a balloon-making entertainer.

● **WHY** do you live in Weymouth?

Because it is probably one of the most awesome places I have ever been to. I have a great affection for Weymouth because when I was 17 I was a Blue Coat at Pontins at Osington Bay.

● **WHERE** do you go for your holidays?

It is too nice in Weymouth to go anywhere else so I am really on holiday all the time.

What is your favourite time of the year?

Summer because I do like the sunshine and the festivals. It is the busiest time of the year for me.

● **WHAT** is your favourite film?

The Shawshank Redemption because Morgan Freeman is one of my favourite actors. He was amazing in the film.

● **WHAT** is the scariest thing that has ever happened to you?

I do stiltwalking and I fell off them and landed on cobbles. That was scary because I was off work for eight weeks and it took a lot of nerve to go back up 12feet and do stiltwalking again.

● **IF** you could live your life again what would you be?

I would be a musician because I have always wished that I had some musical talent. I would love to play the drums.

● **WHICH** three people would you invite to your dream dinner party?

Edward Lear because of the amazing imagination he had creating all those limericks, Alice Cooper because he is one of the greatest showmen and rock stars and because I was in the film Dark Shadows with him. My third dinner guest would be Harry Houdini because he was the first man ever to make magic and escapology famous. He's the name that everyone remembers.

● **WHAT** would you do if you won the Lottery?

I don't think that it would change me much. I would use the money to help people who are a bit less fortunate than me.

● **WHAT** do you hope the future holds?

I hope that I can continue to spread smiles one balloon at a time.



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HMS Formidable relatives attend graveside service

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represented yesterday by his great niece, Alison Eley, from London, who discovered her family's links to Lyme Regis after reading research on the subject carried out by the Wessex branch of the Western Front Association.

She said she had seen an image of the cross which marks the HMS Formidable grave in her grandmother's house but had never known where the grave was.

Other relatives attending the event included Ben Tatham and his wife, representing his uncle, Lieutenant Trevor Tatham; Jo Robinson and family representing her great grandfather, LS Aaron Toms; Nick Barber and wife Ann representing his great grandfather, ERA Louis Wyers; John Slingsby representing potential family member Midshipman John Slingsby; Carol, Ashleigh and Sam representing their great uncle, Stoker Alfred George Draper; Gaynor Boyd representing her husband's great uncle, Bosun William Charles Gosney.

Other Royal Navy personnel, Legion members and local residents also attended the service, and a reception was held afterwards at the Pilot Boat Inn to honour the important role the pub played in the rescue operation.

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"How Lassie found fame after saving HMS Formidable sailor 100 years ago" - see LymeLetters on page 16



■ FAMILY TIES: Alison Eley, great niece of HMS Formidable victim, Stoker William Charles Eley, who was buried in Lyme Regis, with standard bearer for the City of Liverpool branch of the Royal British Legion

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Those receiving donations are as follows: 1st Charmouth Scouts, Bonfire Night, Brownies, Christmas Lights, Community Lunch Club, Father Christmas Sleigh, Football Club (youth section), Get Together Club, Gymnastic Club, Hallett Court, Christmas Lantern Workshop, Lyme Regis Lifeboat Crew, Lyme Regis Majorettes, Lyme Regis Town Band, Lyme Regis Museum, Operatic Society, Pantomime Society, Power Boat Club (Youth Section), Sailing Club (Youth Section), Slopes Farm Community Garden, St Michael's School, Table Tennis Club, Tae Kwon Do Club, West Country Befriending, Youth Theatre.

Chairman of the Regatta and Carnival Committee, Teresa Emery, said: "Despite the very small committee and the economic climate we have had a successful year organising eight events as well as the 70 events during Regatta and Carnival Week in August."

"Although our principle aim is to enhance the holidays of the many families who come to Lyme Regis every year, we have been able to raise a substantial amount of money and respond to requests from local good causes including several new ones this year."

Sadly, we were unable to give support to everyone who asked for money this year. My small committee and I have worked hard to minimise the costs of our events and have tried to make them accessible to as many people as possible.

"Once again we are indebted to local businesses who have supported us and to the many people from Lyme who have helped us with events and collections.

"We are already enthusiastically planning next year's events but we are in need of extra help if next year is to be as successful. Our annual general meeting, to be held on Wednesday, February 26th, will elect a new committee and start planning for next year, we hope that you will be able to come and support us."

Fatal crash after driver has 'medical episode' at wheel



A MAN from Tintinhull, near Yeovil, died after suffering a "medical episode" and crashing his car on Charmouth Road, Lyme Regis, last week.

The fatal collision occurred at 3.25pm on Friday afternoon, when a silver Skoda Octavia being driven by the 70-year-old man towards Charmouth was involved in a head-on crash with a blue Vauxhall Astra being driven into Lyme Regis by a 50-year-old man from Exeter.

Police said that early indications showed that the Skoda driver suf-

fered a "medical episode" at the wheel.

Police, fire and ambulance crews attended the scene and attempted to resuscitate the man but he died on the roadside. Devon Air Ambulance also attended, landing on the nearby football pitch.

The driver of the Vauxhall and his 40-year-old female passenger sustained slight injuries.

The area of Charmouth Road was closed for several hours whilst police investigated the incident. Witnesses to the collision or manner of driving by either car leading up to the incident are asked to contact PC Gooding of Dorset Police Traffic Department by calling 101.

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Uplyme Parish Council chairman steps down

CHAIRMAN of Uplyme Parish Council, Peter Whiting, has stepped down from the role due to ill health.

In his resignation speech at this month's parish council meeting, Councillor Whiting thanked everyone for their good wishes and cards, and fellow councillors and parish clerk Lois Wakeman for their support; and he concluded by expressing his best wishes for the future of the council.

Councillor Whiting will continue to sit on the council but not as chairman.

Mrs Wakeman commented: "His expertise in technical matters, as well as council procedure, will be greatly missed at meetings, as will his sense of humour."

Vice-chairman John Garland was elected in his place, and Councillor John Duffin as the new vice-chairman.

Council enquiries should now be directed to the clerk or to the new chairman Councillor Garland, with contact details available on the website www.uplymeparishcouncil.org

COUNCIL DATES

- Weds, January 7th - Extraordinary full council meeting to discuss Monmouth Beach (press & public expected to be excluded for main business), 7pm
- Tues, January 13th - Planning & Highways, 7pm

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Funeral Service to be held at Weymouth Crematorium on Thursday 15th January 2015 at 11.30am. Please dress as you wish. Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, for Cancer Research UK may be given at the Service, online at funeraldirectors.uk.com or send c/o W. G. Potter Funeral Directors, William Potter House, 5 West Street, Axminster, EX13 5NX.

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Lyme saddened by death of much-loved and talented artist

OBITUARY

Edna Dorrington

THE Lyme Regis community was shocked and saddened to learn of the death of local artist Edna Dorrington on January 2nd, aged 80.

Edna was a much-loved, talented artist who brought an infectious enthusiasm to the hugely popular art scene in Lyme Regis.

She died during a Christmas and New Year visit to Australia to see her son, Graham, his partner Flavia and grandchildren Corrado and Renzo, shortly after celebrating her 80th birthday on Boxing Day.

Edna was a teacher, specialising in art in Hertfordshire before moving to Lyme Regis with husband Peter in retirement in 2002.

Sadly, Peter died just two years after moving to Lyme and Edna was soon after became involved in the annual ArtsFest events.

She once wrote: "ArtsFest was fantastic for me. I met so many people and made friends with so many other artists."

Edna's artistic specialism was Monmouth Beach, and she became known as the "pebble lady", admitting to being somewhat obsessed with them. But she then added people to her distinctive works, commenting: "They weren't real people but a sort of hybrid and a bit of fun."

Edna was chairman of Lyme Regis Art Society, played an important part in ArtsFest, a member of the Town Mill Arts Guild, and member of other art groups in Lyme, Axminster and Morecombe Lake. She was also involved with the U3A, the Lyme Regis Society and Lyme's two twinning associations, as well



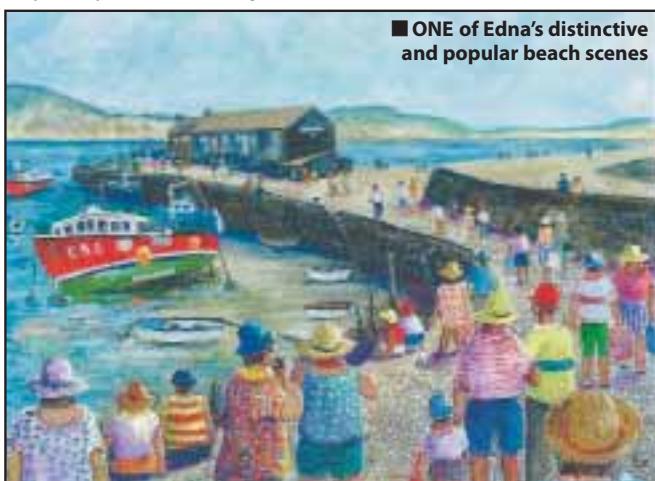
as volunteering at the museum shop.

Her paintings hang in many homes in Lyme Regis and further afield.

Edna had two children, Caroline and Graham, and four grandchildren.

Caroline and husband Tim's children are daughter Sam and famed singer-songwriter, 24-year-old Tom Odell, who is most recently known for singing "Real Love" for the "Monty the Penguin" John Lewis Christmas advert. Edna was quietly very proud of the achievements of her grandson and was certainly his number one fan.

■ **ONE OF Edna's distinctive
and popular beach scenes**



Sheila Stratton, secretary of the Lyme Regis Arts Society, said: "Edna was an enormously talented artist; she touched us with her humility and inspired us with the attitude that if she could do it, so could you. There are many members who will always be grateful for her unconditional friendship, unerring loyalty and unquestioning support."

Edna's closest friend and fellow artist, Angela Rushforth, added: "Edna will be sorely missed by so many."

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A first for music charity B Sharp as pupils prepare to perform at Exeter Cathedral

YOUNG singers and musicians from across the region will raise rafters at Exeter Cathedral next week in a special concert of music and song inspired by Beer Quarry Caves.

At its heart is B Sharp Vocal Collective, a choir of more than 160 children and young people from West Dorset and East Devon who have been working on original material with professional musicians lead by composer John K. Miles.

The concert, on Tuesday, January 13th at 7.30pm, is in collaboration with the Woodroffe School and the Jurassic Coast Teaching School Alliance and will see the B Sharp Vocal Collective soloists and choir join with more singers from Woodroffe and Colyton Grammar schools. The performance will also include poems, stories, films and music, all inspired by Beer Quarry Caves, produced by other schools in the region.

"This has been an epic 18 month project

for B Sharp, schools and hundreds of children and young people in the rural areas of West Dorset and East Devon," said Fran Williams, director of B Sharp, the Lyme Regis-based youth music charity.

"To be able to sing in a prestigious venue such as Exeter Cathedral, which was built from Beer stone, is a really special experience and a first for such a large group of children from this area."

Work began on the B Sharp Voices project last year at Beaminster, Woodroffe and Colfox secondary schools. A 94-strong choir of primary school singers from St Michael's in Lyme Regis, Mrs Ethelston's in Uplyme, Marshwood and St Mary's in Bridport was added in the autumn with songs and music developed in workshops and concerts with music leader John K. Miles, vocal



coach Deborah Jordan, drummer Winston Clifford, guitarist Jack Ross and B Sharp music mentors Chloe Stratta and Jacques Verhaeren, as well as guest musicians, including Adrianna Adewale (percussion, vocals) and Dave Mannington (bass).

Previous concerts have been held at St Michael's Parish Church and the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis.

B Sharp Vocal Collective has been funded by Youth Music and West Dorset District Council and is designed to raise levels of aspiration in young people through group singing.

Mrs Williams continued: "Music making is life changing. Projects like this are incredibly important because we engage young people in singing at an early age through to adulthood and develop collaborative working with our education partners."

Tickets for the concert at exeter Cathedral are available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre, for £6 priced £6 or £3 for concessions. Buses to Exeter leave St Mary's in Bridport at 5.30pm on the day and from Woodroffe School 6pm. To book seats on the coaches email christinenewton@bsharp.uk.com



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New polling station for Lyme Regis voters

SOME voters in Lyme Regis will have a new polling station for the 2015 elections in May.

Following the European Parliamentary Election in May 2014, concerns about access and parking were raised about the polling station in St Michaels Business Centre, off Church Street.

During the summer, West Dorset District Council consulted with local district councillors and Lyme Regis Town Council to help identify other suitable premises. A number of other polling stations were suggested and visits were made to check their suitability.

The district council has decided to use the communal room at Halletts Court in Queen's Walk for the combined parliamentary, district council and town council elections scheduled for Thursday, May 7th on a trial basis.

The communal room is spacious, has

disabled access and is more centrally located within the main residential area in the eastern side of the town. There is also good parking provision on the road immediately adjacent to the building.

Woodmead Halls will remain as the second polling station in Lyme Regis.

Below are some useful deadlines for residents who wish to vote at the combined parliamentary and local government elections on Thursday, May 7th:

- Registering to vote – Monday, April 20th;
- Requesting a new postal vote or making changes to an existing postal or proxy vote – 5pm on Tuesday, April 21st;
- Requesting a new proxy vote – 5pm on Tuesday, April 28th.

For more information about elections visit www.dorsetforyou.com/elections

Tickets for panto 'Aladdin' on sale soon

TICKETS will shortly go on sale for Lyme Regis Pantomime Society's 2015 production of "Aladdin".

Aladdin, played by Melissa Denslow, is a poor young boy who lives in Old Peking with his mother, the hilarious Widow Twankey (Gemma Hatton) but all is set to change for him when his long lost uncle, Abanazar (Dave Street) arrives in town promising him riches beyond his wildest dreams.

The cast will also include Cathryn Brooks as Slave of the Ring, Daniel Edwards as Wishee Washee, Stuart Knowles as The Grand Vizier, Adam

Tedbury as The Emperor Chow Mein, Amanda Rattenbury as Princess Lotus Blossom, Tanya Rattenbury as So-Shy, Harvey Causley as The Genie of the Lamp and Lorraine Knowles as The Mummy. The show will run at the Marine Theatre from February 17th to 21st, 7.30pm nightly with a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm.

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IF I had paid attention to more than just the girls' legs when I was at Woodroffe, I would know my Latin and could tell you whether 2014 was an annus horribilis for Lyme Regis Town Council or whether it was the year in which the council fell on its annus, horribilis.

Either way, it was a rough old time in the Guildhall and veteran council-watchers tell me that it was the worst year to be a councillor, what with all of that messy business of accusations, resignations, apologies and the howling over Mayorgate, Darylgate, Twittergate and Bicyclegate – let alone those controversial bailouts of The Royal Bank of Hubland which established a new world-first for the English language, that an "error" is not a "mistake".

Stroll on. At times it's been better than watching Buster Keaton.

Who'd be a Lyme Regis town councillor these days, eh? It's bad enough getting it openly in the neck with professional nit-pickers like me taking point-scoring to the level of religious fundamentalism, let alone getting defamed as some sort of hole-in-the-wall desperado on a poster commissioned by Cobb Gate's Scarlet Pimpernel.

But here's the good news – if you thought the whole Chipperfields Circus of

COUNCIL SKETCH

By Geoff Baker



2014 was lively, the word on Broad Street is that we ain't seen nothing yet.

For 2015 is set to be Lyme Regis Town Council's annus eruptus.

Although Val at Boots can usually sell you something for that, rumour has it that we can look forward to a new blow-up; a volcanic power-struggle of such intensity that I'm already in negotiations with the British Boxing Board for the TV rights – for the talk in the town is that the council's current ruling clique is going to be challenged by a completely new group, which I'm dubbing 'the Lyme People's Party' as there's no name for them yet.

If the rumours are right, you can forget the "Gang of Five", as the gangbusters are gathering and they are said to be offering no quarter to Lyme's most popular quintet.

ALTHOUGH I am not one to put the cat amongst the pigeons, according to a highly-placed source within this new group, 'a significant alliance of the Lyme-born and the town's business elite' are putting together an ace team of popular local personalities to stand against the radicals at the council elections in May.

"We want to get Lyme back for its people; we've had enough of the reformist agenda and we're going to go back to the old tradition of doing things Lyme's way," is the sort of thing

my source would say if I hadn't lied when I promised not to quote him.

Apparently there is great concern among the Lyme People's Party that elements of the council are believed to have their eye on authorising a massive development of the Monmouth Beach area, which would start with shifting the Bowling Green up to Strawberry Fields in order to free-up space for a huge double-deck car park.

Ignoring the associated but wildly-optimistic trust that downhill bowling will catch on, clearly such an eviction would kill the sport in the town stone dead, ruining the enjoyment of many of the elder community. But that's presumably OK because a Cabanya Carbuncle would give the council more money to do important stuff like fund the legal advice which appears to be sought every time that anyone in the right-on Guildhall says boo to a goose.

"But we're not going to let it happen," says my source within the LPP, "a lot of people in Lyme are fed-up to the back teeth with all of this argy-bargy in the Guildhall and they want to retain the traditional look of Lyme."

"We want a council that has the town's respect, not its derision. We will stop all of this republican talk to replace the office of Mayor with an all-powerful Leader of the council, we will block any move to change the civic traditions and we will put up as candidates the sort of people who will ensure that."

Oo-err, fighting talk.

APPARENTLY, the LPP has plans to stop the not-exactly-transparent practice of committee chairmen meeting to discuss

agendas before they are put to the rest of the councillors and it will end the council's obsession with conducting so much of its meetings in secret, when the electorate are ejected like children shooed to bed before a re-run of The Exorcist.

The new group says it will also commit to put the needs of 42 per cent elderly majority of the town first, stop the whacking up of council rents because, stupid, that obviously drives up commercial rents and thus causes local inflation, disallow any arbitrary action by the staff and make it a lashing offence to permit a dog to pee in Manor Avenue.

I made up that last one, but you get the point; the LPP cavalry is coming and the battle at the election "to bring the power back to Lyme's people" is going to be better than Harry May's fireworks.

My source says "several" well-known Lyme personalities are being groomed by the LPP to stand for the council and others are willing to throw their names into the hat if another rumour is true – that the massively-popular clique-smiter Daryl Turner is going to make a comeback and stand for the council again.

So, the questions that will now be burning holes into half-pint pots at The Nag's Head are who is behind the Lyme People's Party and who are the worthies now readying to stand for the seats that six of our current councillors are said to be wanting to give up?

I wish I could say but I promised that I wouldn't write a word...

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■ **ALWAYS REMEMBERED:** Commodore Jamie Miller of the Royal Navy places a wreath on the HMS Formidable grave



■ **LAST POST:** Bugler Bryn Hawkins from Royal Marines Lympstone



■ **CENTENARY SERVICE:** Pictured top left, standard bearers from Royal British Legion and Royal Naval Association branches lower the standards, and top right, Commodore Jamie Miller from the Royal Navy salutes as the Last Post is played. Relatives of HMS Formidable's crew place wreaths and, left, Mayor of Lyme Regis, Councillor Sally Holman, makes her tribute

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Icy start to married life as newlyweds take



■ WEDDING PARTY: Bride and groom Flo and Nigel Le Gassick (pictured front) with their wedding guests before taking a dip. Below, swimmers dash into the sea

By FRANCESCA EVANS

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RATHER than jetting off to a tropical paradise for their honeymoon, newlyweds Nigel and Flo Le Gassick started married life with an icy dip in Lyme Bay as they and their wedding party took part in the Formidable Lyme Lunge on New Year's Day.

The couple were engaged the previous New Year's Day while watching the Lunge and married on New Year's Eve in St Michael's Parish Church, followed by a reception in the Marine Theatre. They were joined by more than 20 of their friends in bridal costumes and dashed into the sea with about 300 other brave swimmers in aid of Help For Heroes.

Organised by the Rotary Club of Lyme Regis, this year's event was renamed the Formidable Lyme Lunge, rather than just the Lyme Lunge, in commemoration of the sinking of HMS Formidable by German torpedo in Lyme Bay 100 years earlier, and was filmed for BBC Spotlight regional news.

Swimmers paraded around the beach to show off their varied fancy dress costumes before dash- ing into the sea on the signal of the Mayor, Councillor Sally Holman, watched by a crowd in excess of 1,000 people.

By The Bay restaurant then served soup to warm up those who took the plunge.

More than £4,000 was raised for this year's chosen charity, with further sponsorship money still to be received. Organisers would like to thank all sponsors, as well as the lifeboat crew, the mayor and town crier, St John Ambulance, By The Bay, Pasty Presto for providing pasties for the volunteers, Rotarian Jim Moseley and all helpers and collectors.



■ DASH FOR IT: Swimmers run down the beach but were almost just as quick in leaving the icy water (below)



Coach & Horses, Winterbourne Abbas



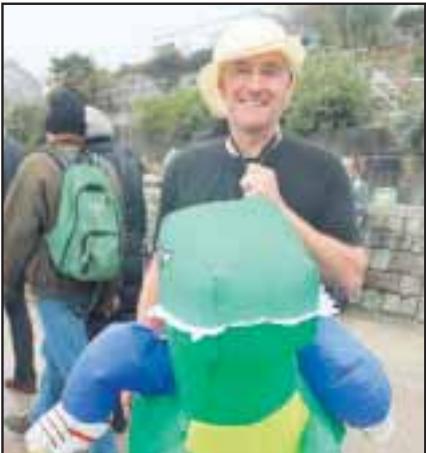
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■ ON CAMERA: Emma Ruminski interviews newly-weds Nigel and Flo Le Gassick for BBC Spotlight

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Lyme Regis sailor bags trophy 59 years after first winning it

A VETERAN sailor won Lyme Regis Sailing Club's Bonning Trophy last season, 59 years after he first won it in 1955.

Colin Walters won the middle distance race trophy for the first time in a Christchurch Coot dinghy when he was just 17-years-old and the trophy itself had only been presented eight times.

After a number of years in the Navy, he went to live and work in London in the 60s, returning to visit his mother in Lyme Regis and sailing an Albacore from the club. He competed in the Fastnet Race in 1973 before giving up sailing for a while when his children were born.

When Colin began again, it was at Datchet Water Sailing Club, near London, where he was in charge of youth sailing from 1981 to 1986 with exceptional results. One of his young sailors was the late Andrew "Bart" Simpson, Olympic medallist, who met fellow Olympians Ian Percy and Sarah Webb on one of the annual race training courses at Datchet.

Having retired to Lyme Regis, Colin still continues his work with youth sailors at the sailing club as well as his dinghy racing.

The Bonning Trophy Middle Distance Race 2014



■ HOLDING THE TROPHY AGAIN: Colin Walters with crew member Amanda Wright and the trophy

was a two and half hour race in light winds from Lyme Regis to just beyond Charmouth, which Colin raced with his crew, Amanda Wright.

He was delighted to have won again after 59 years, though he did have one reservation.

"I wish it had been 60 years! I'll have to have another go in 2015," he said.

For more information on membership and youth sailing at the club, visit the website www.lymeregis-sailingclub.co.uk

Lyme man gets MBE in New Year honours

By PHILIP EVANS

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A LYME Regis man was awarded the MBE in the New Year Honours List.

Brian Larcombe, 63, who was brought up an educated in Lyme, was honoured for his services to the UK Hydrographic Office (UKHO) and to industrial relations.

Mr Larcombe, the eldest son of the late Alan and Peggy Larcombe, was educated at Lyme Regis Junior School and Lyme Regis Grammar School (now the Woodroffe School) and was a playing member of Lyme Regis Football Club as a young man.

He still has strong links with his hometown, owning property in Lyme, and being the brother of former Lyme businessman Colin Larcombe, and Howard Larcombe, chairman of Lyme Regis Football Club.

Mr Larcombe's public service to the UKHO has been prolific and sustained over 41 years, from his years as a skilled mapping and charting officer to his current role in human resources.

During this time he has shown a passion for UKHO's mission to protect lives at sea as well as compassion for his colleagues.

In this area in particular he has demonstrated a long-standing and selfless devotion to Trade Union work, as TU chairman for 25 years, which has contributed distinctively to ongoing good working relations, serving on a number of national bodies.

Mr Larcombe's commitment to the trade union movement started when he began work as a 19 year old for Rolls Royce in Derby, where he saw the workforce reduced by 10,000 people in just ten months.

He vowed there and then he never wanted to see that happen again and throughout his career has fought tirelessly to protect jobs and maintain the public sector

status of the hydrographic service.

Chief executive Admiral Ian Moncrieff said: "Brian is a wonderful example of fine citizenship in public service and wider society.

"He has committed a huge amount of personal time and always goes the extra mile for the benefit of others.

"His stalwart dedication and positive intervention in trade union work has supported harmony and excellence in this workplace.

"He has helped make UKHO a great place to work and the 1,000 people onsite to find career satisfaction in public service."

Mr Larcombe's commitment outside his work includes 16 years as chairman of Comeytrewe Parish Council in Taunton and he was a long-standing governor at the Castle School.

Commenting on his appointment as Member of the British Empire, Brian said: "I am delighted that my work has been recognised, not just for myself but for my family who have supported me throughout my career."

He first heard about the honour when he received a letter from the Cabinet Office in November informing him that Prime Minister David Cameron was recommending to the Queen that he should receive the MBE.

Mr Larcombe is looking forward to his invitation to Buckingham Palace to receive his MBE when he will be accompanied by his wife Wendy, daughter Sarah and son Chris.



■ BRIAN LARCOMBE: 'Selfless devotion to his colleagues'

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Rubbish start to New Year!



LYME Regis Sailing Club celebrated the New Year with a rubbish boat race in the harbour. A total of 16 boats made from household rubbish took part in the New Year's Day race following the Lyme Lunge. The very windy conditions should have favoured smaller craft, but the challenge was won by Darren Moore (far left) who used a bin bag, two plastic bottles, sticks, tape and coins to weight the keel. His boat crossed the harbour to the North Wall well ahead of other competitors.

Lifeboat answered 31 calls for help

LIFEBOAT volunteers in Lyme Regis answered 31 emergency calls during 2014, exactly same number as the year before.

RNLI lifeboat operations manager, Grahame Forshaw, who is also the harbourmaster, said: "As in previous years, we continue to be asked to rescue sailors whose boats have broken down for one reason or another.

"My New Year's message to boat owners would be to check all the basics before going to sea. It may seem obvious, but you have to make sure you have enough fuel for the journey you are going to make; check that all the life-saving equipment is in good order, radio, flares, life jackets, etc.

"Another piece of equipment that could be vital in the event of a break-

down is an anchor because the last thing you want is to find you have no power and the boat begins to drift.

"The majority of those who use our waters are very responsible, but sometimes we need reminding of the basics."

Mr Forshaw said he and his staff in the harbourmaster's office were always ready to answer questions from sailors such as sea conditions, the prevailing weather and safety issues.

■ REPORTS of an upturned tender near Golden Cap resulted in the first shout of the New Year for Lyme Regis lifeboat crew on Friday.

Solent coastguards requested the lifeboat to launch at 5.05pm, but after a widespread search nothing was found. Coastguards stood down the lifeboat at 5.45pm.

Huge crowds for duck race



THE annual New Year's Day duck race in aid of Lyme Regis Christmas lights attracted a record crowd and raised £646 for the cause.

Hundreds of families lined the River Lim from the start line in Windsor Terrace down to the finish outside Jordan Flats.

The race was officially started by town crier Alan Vian and members of Lyme Regis lifeboat crew released the ducks and ushered them down the Lim.



Due to rainfall, it was also one of the fastest races which enabled the crowds to go on to the Formidable Lyme Lunge later that afternoon.

The event was also filmed by BBC Spotlight regional news.

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News in a Nutshell

Car windows smashed

BETWEEN Wednesday, December 10th and Saturday 20th one or more offenders smashed the driver and front passenger windows of a vehicle in Lyme Regis, and stole a mobile phone.

On the evening on Saturday, December 20th, the rear window of a second vehicle on Charmouth Road was smashed.

Police remind drivers not to leave or hide any valuable items in their vehicles. If anyone has any information on these incidents or would like to report suspicious activity, contact Dorset Police on 101.

Relax with new yoga sessions

TWO new drop-in yoga classes start this month in the Masonic Hall in Lyme Regis.

Led by experience yoga instructor Julie Oldfield, "Relax and Renew" sessions will be held on 6.30pm on Fridays to wind down from a busy week, while the 11am classes on Wednesdays will be more dynamic.

The classes cost £8 per session and due to the limited capacity of the room, participants are advised to book a space by contacting Julie on 07775 422 501 or email julieoldfield2000@hotmail.com but can just drop in if spaces are available. The hall is heated and mats, etc. will be provided.

Charity soup and pud lunch

THE Lyme Regis branch of Save the Children will host their annual soup and pudding lunch at the Pilot Boat Inn on Thursday, January 15th between 12noon and 2pm.

The lunch will be followed on Tuesday, January 27th by the branch's annual general meeting at 2.30pm in Abbeyfield, Silver Street - all welcome.

OBE to speak for museum friends

THOMAS Hawkins and his Sea Dragons is the subject of a talk being given by Stephen Locke OBE at the Woodmead Halls in aid of the Friends of Lyme Regis Museum.

The talk will be held on Thursday, February 5th at 2.30pm. Admission is £2 for Museum Friends or £3 for visitors, including refreshments.

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DORSET residents who have suffered from flooding in their homes are getting help.

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CORRECTION: AXMINSTER HOSPITAL

REPORTING on the campaign to save in-patient beds at Axminster Hospital, we stated that Virgin Care, who run the Lyme Regis Medical Centre, had not renewed their contract with Axminster Hospital.

This was incorrect. Virgin Care has asked us to point that that Virgin Care never had a contract with Axminster Hospital.

This information was provided to us by Lyme Forward, who have been co-ordinating opposition from the Lyme Regis area to the beds closure.

We apologise for this error.

set by the Environment Agency. A total of 100 properties will be fitted with devices that will improve flood resilience and help householders return to normality quickly after being flooded.

This scheme is funded by Flood Defence Grant in Aid which is administered by the Environment Agency.

Councillor Peter Finney, cabinet member of environment and economy said: "We are delighted to be co-ordinating this initiative and are confident that when installed we will significantly improve the resilience for households in the most at risk areas."

More help is at hand for those who have been affected by flooding from the National Flood Forum, which can be contacted on 01299 403055 or visit the website www.nationalfloodforum.org.uk

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Popular 'Shady Tree' tales to return in March

LOCAL historian Ken Gollop will present another of his popular "More Tales from Under Shady Tree" talks on Sunday, March 1st in aid of Lyme Regis Museum.

This year, Mr Gollop will delve into wartime Lyme in advance of a special exhibition opening, documenting life during 1939-45. Despite the ban on photography during this time, the museum has a rich archive of photos taken during the war including several groups like the army cadets taken in 1944 (pictured above).

The exhibition will open at the museum in May to coincide with the anniversary of VE day and it is then hoped to have it moved to the Marine Parade shelters during the summer. If any readers have any photos or memorabilia of wartime Lyme the museum would be pleased to see

them.

Mr Gollop will present "More Tales From Under Shady Tree" at the Woodmead Halls at 2.30 on Sunday, March 1st. Those interested in attending are advised to arrive early as previous talks have been sell-out successes.

■ Pictured above are 1944 Army cadets. Back row from left - Frank Potter, ?, Tony Broom, Maurice Gollop, Edrich Govier, ? Cousins, Bill Gear. Middle row from left - Maurice Curtis, ? Grinter, Pate Crate, Stan Emmett, ? Dunn, "Fitter" Adams, Dave Toms. Sitting - Rob Broom, Mick Douglas, Charles Rice, Captain Mitchell, Dave Rattenbury, Colin Larcombe, Neil Adams. Front Row: Alan Batten, ?, ?, Roy Gollop, Ivan Lane, Ray Perry. Can you identify the missing names?

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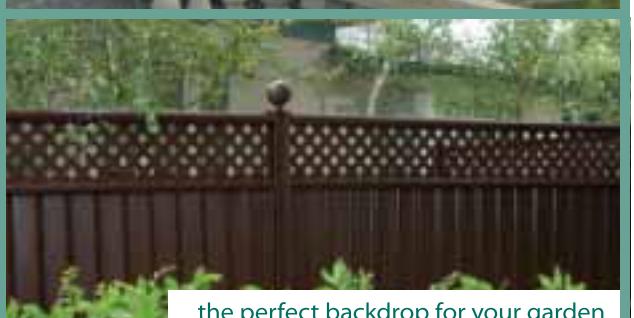
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District leader resigns to take on county role

WEST Dorset District Council leader Robert Gould will formally resign from his post this week, it has been confirmed.

Councillor Gould, who also took over the leadership of the county council recently, said he would be stepping down to concentrate on his new role.

He is set to be replaced as leader by Councillor Anthony Alford, representative for the Allington and Netherbury ward, who is expected to formally take up the position tomorrow (Thursday).

Councillor Gould, who spent more than a decade at the helm of the district council, had also been standing in as leader of the county authority following the resignation of former leader Spencer Flower, who is facing a court trial for failing to declare personal interests in planning matters.

And the Conservative member was elected on a per-

manent basis early in December, after defending the council's handling of the accusations against Councillor Flower.

In a statement, Councillor Gould said it had been a "great privilege" to lead the authority in delivering a series of "flagship" projects, but that he must now focus his attention on the county council leadership.

"I have recently been elected leader of Dorset County Council. I have decided therefore that I must step down as West Dorset District Council leader so that I can give my full energy to this new role," he said.

"I have immensely enjoyed my 10-and-a-half years as leader and it has been a great privilege to lead the authority through a period of unprecedented change.

"I am very grateful for the support that I have received from members and officers in this time."

Councillor Gould said he was proud to have ensured

the council's finances were well managed and that council tax had been kept low during his tenure.

He also remarked on the key move to cut costs by working more closely with partner councils in Weymouth and Portland, and North Dorset.

"Together we have achieved so much for the residents of West Dorset, but most importantly we have ensured sound financial management and kept our share of the council tax low."

"This has enabled us to avoid the large cuts to services other district councils have been forced to make, maintain support for our voluntary organisation and deliver large flagship projects, such as the new Dorchester Sports Centre and Lyme Regis coast defence works.

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View from the churches

A FEW days into the New Year, the resolutions we enthusiastically made a few days ago begin to fall apart.

The odd day when we don't go for that run, or do have an extra piece of toast at breakfast is forgivable, we tell ourselves. But as the days go by, our lack of resolve becomes more noticeable, and then with a sense of failure and frustration we drop the whole thing, hoping no one will notice. After all, we think, we've got the whole year to gear ourselves up to it, and then we can make another attempt next New Year.

I speak from personal experience here, but as the years go by I am gaining a little wisdom. To succeed in my resolve to make a new start, or to do something differently, I generally succeed if I focus on someone other than myself.

At Uplyme Church on January 24th at 6.30pm, we are holding a quiz evening. There will be great food including soup and a pud (unless you've resolved to give up puddings this year!) for just £5 (£2.50 for under 16s, and please bring your own drink).

The object of the exercise is to raise money for our Zambia Water Project which we run in conjunction with Tearfund. Over the last three years or so, by resolving to support activities like the quiz, or our summer ball, we have enabled 11 deep boreholes to be sunk, providing fresh water for the local community, benefitting a many people in a variety of ways.

Making and keeping these sorts of resolution can be far more compelling than keeping those focussed on ourselves.

The Lyme Regis & District Food Bank is in need of support. If we all resolve to give what we can we would make a substantial difference to people in need right on our doorstep.

**Reverend Kate Woolven,
Uplyme Parish Church**

LymeNet can help make your 2015! News from LymeNet

HAPPY New Year from LymeNet! New Year, new resolutions. This relates as much to us at LymeNet as everyone else. We need to keep getting better and helping more people.

We will be immediately starting with our free work in the library (Tuesday morning in Lyme, and Thursday mornings in Charmouth) helping people with their new technology. Did you get a new phone, camera, tablet computer, iPad, laptop, or e-reader for Christmas and are embarrassed to admit you haven't got a clue how to start using it? We'll work through the basics with you.

Maybe you need a new job and our careers advice and Job Club can help. Maybe its time to take the plunge with our introductory and highly practical computer courses so you can keep in touch with friends, family and all the information you might need. Maybe its time to get help with the creative development of that little business you always wanted? Or perhaps you have some skills you'd like to volunteer.

Lots of this is available free of charge, the things we must charge for are very modestly priced, and we're right in the middle of Lyme Regis so please try us.

We too have a long "to do" list of how we'd like to develop our work to enable more courses, new groups of learners. We want to spread the word about what we can offer. We'd also like to help more local businesses and organisations.

We want to become even more flexible in our approaches and even less like a traditional education establishment, so that fewer people can find a reason not to learn or try something new. Maybe you have some ideas about how we can do this, or what would make things more appropriate for you. In which case please contact us by email or phone, or interact with us on Twitter and Facebook.

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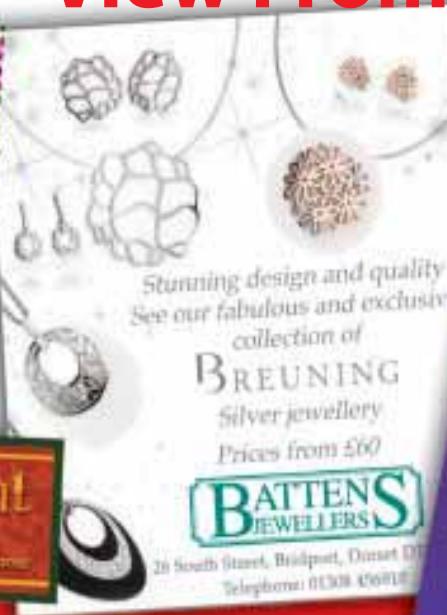
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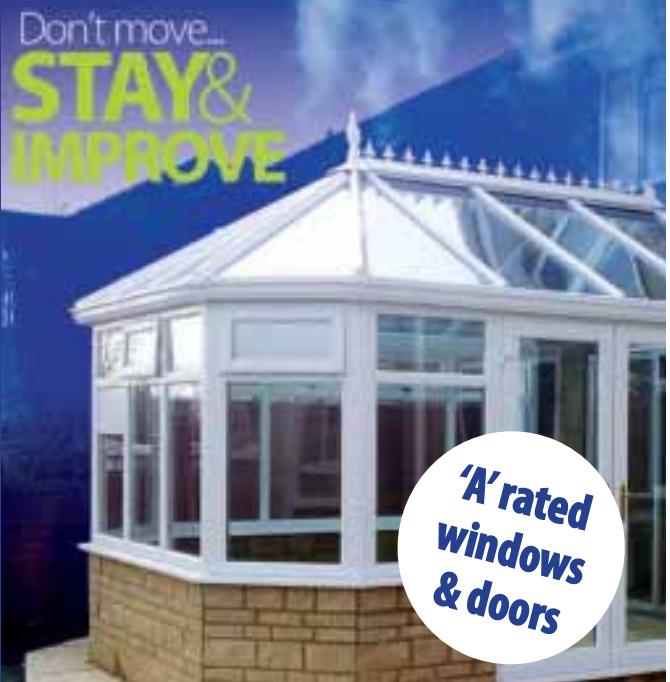




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Meeting to question cabinet system

THE "Public First" meeting takes place at the Corn Exchange, Dorchester, at 7pm on Wednesday, January 7th (tonight) and there is considerable public interest, despite confirmation that not only will district council leader Robert Gould not be attending, but all the seven other invited members of his party have now confirmed they will also not be attending.

There is, however, real interest on the selected issues of how West Dorset District Council applies its cabinet government; and on the option to investigate removing the district council tier of government by investigating "going unitary", as Wiltshire has successfully done.

Most of the evening will comprise members of the public's contributions from the floor – seen by many to be

quite a fresh feature in this meeting, and it will be interesting to see what issues emerge from the public. Towards the end of the evening there'll be inputs from representatives of the Green, Labour, Lib-Dems and UKIP parties. The Conservatives have declined, and also declined an invitation for a separate 10-minutes slot for the leader to address the audience.

The public will indeed voice their views, and we believe it will be a landmark meeting that will be little affected by the decision of the eight ruling party members not to appear and hear the public's views. All welcome, doors open at 6.30pm.

JOHN GRANTHAM,
"Public First", Burton Bradstock

Now is not the time to cut hospital beds

ON January 7th the North Devon Heath Trust (NDHT) will decide on the "temporary" transfer of inpatient beds from Axminster Hospital to the community hospital at Seaton. For the foreseeable future this will mean that patients from the Lyme Regis area will no longer find a hospital bed on their doorstep.

The transfer has been described as "temporary" but there's little doubt that it's being seen as a permanent solution to staffing shortages and mounting agency costs at small hospitals such as Axminster and Seaton.

But recent history teaches us something about the relentless logic of decline. Any hospital which loses its inpatient beds immediately becomes more vulnerable to further cuts and "rationalisations". Until 2012 Axminster Hospital had 18 beds. This was cut to just 10 beds by 2013. Now they say it's too small and costly to be viable. By the end of January, Axminster may have no beds at all.

We have not arrived at this sorry state by accident, but by design. Axminster Hospital is the victim of successive reductions to beds in community hospitals. The paradox

is that whilst North Devon Health Trust is busily cutting bed numbers in its hospitals, other local health chiefs are desperately trying to buy more beds in the private sector to help ease winter pressures. You couldn't make it up!

Given the age profile and vulnerability of our local population, and imminent council cuts to social care budgets, this is not the time to consider reducing or removing beds from a busy, well-used community hospital. The recruitment of nursing staff is a national problem to be sure, but the trust has made the local task so much harder by creating uncertainty around Axminster's future. Who would want to work for an organisation actively planning to close its major services?

We have asked the North Devon Health Trust to halt the process of decline in its community hospitals and retain the inpatient unit at Axminster Hospital. For patients in and around Lyme Regis, a community hospital should be precisely that – a local place, with beds for local people, when they need them.

Julie Sheppard
Lyme Forward, Lyme Regis Local Area Partnership

How Lassie found fame after saving HMS Formidable sailor 100 years ago

I WAS pleased recently to pick up a copy of the *View From Lyme Regis* (December 31st) with the article about Mr Ron Hercock receiving his long overdue medal commemorating his participation in the hazardous Naval convoys to Russia in the Second World War.

Congratulations to a well-known member of the Lyme Regis community.

I also congratulate those involved in planning the 100th anniversary commemorations of the tragic sinking in Lyme Bay of HMS Formidable. The massive loss of life on that occasion should never be forgotten.

The detailed report of the landing of the lifeboat at Cobb Gate beach reminds me of another well-remembered event on that sad occasion.

The owner of the Pilot Boat Inn at the time had a wife who sadly suffered from epilepsy. Their black collie dog, Lassie, had been trained to raise the alarm if her mistress went into a fit on the floor.

When the lifeboat reached the beach, many of the sailors had died of hypothermia. Those who survived were helped ashore by many Lyme Regis people. Finally, the dead bodies were laid out on the beach.

Lassie, the dog from the Pilot Boat, appeared and started sniffing the bodies. Suddenly, she started barking and licking the face of one of the corpses. Lassie had found Able Seaman John Cowan still alive. He survived and lived to tell the tale.

Subsequently, Lassie was awarded a canine medal. As far as I know, the photo of her with the medal still hangs proudly in the Pilot Boat Inn and nearby is a photo of HMS Formidable.

Lassie's fame spread widely. Eventually, she was commemorated by the film industry with many films of "Lassie the Wonder Dog". The depiction of Lassie as a long-haired, shiny collie was quite a long way off from our Lassie, the black collie sheep dog who is still celebrated in Lyme Regis history and folk law.

The latest Lassie film featured a great actor, Pete O'Toole. I am sure at the time of the filming, Mr O'Toole made an incognito visit to the Pilot Boat Inn to gaze into the eyes of Lassie in her portrait photo. It might be a good idea if you have never seen inside the inn to make a visit and see the picture for yourself.

When I moved to Lyme Regis in the early 1970s to become landlord of the Cobb Arms, there was not a per-

manent war memorial in the town to commemorate those who were killed during the national conflicts.

In the early 80s, "Hurricane" Joe Wason, a fisherman at the Cobb harbour, had a large steel trawler, "The Barbarella". One day, he trawled from the deep a very large steel anchor. At the time, many thought it may have been a kedge anchor from HMS Formidable.

The anchor received some restoration work and it was then incorporated as part of the new war memorial that had been erected in the public gardens in George's Square, Monmouth Street.

In those days I conducted historical tours of the town and George's Square was part of my route. I pointed out the anchor as being a kedge anchor from HMS Formidable. At the end of one walk, a gentleman approached me and said he was a ship's architect with the Admiralty in London. He promised to check the original plans of the ship to authenticate whether the anchor was indeed from Formidable. A couple of weeks later a letter arrived; sadly, he said the anchor was not a kedge from the ship.

Even though the anchor in George's Square is not as hoped, it is a fine centre piece for the town's recording of the men of Lyme who gave their lives in order that, at the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

RICHARD J. FOX MBE,
Former Lyme Regis resident and town crier

Congrats for new sea wall

DEFRA, West Dorset District Council, Lyme Regis Town Council, the architects, builders and everyone involved in the sea defences, and especially the new footpath, deserve congratulations.

The protection of the local environment, the magnificent views opened up by the footpath and the thoughtfully placed benches made from, it seems, driftwood logs, all bring a great improvement to Lyme Regis.

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Doug Goodman,
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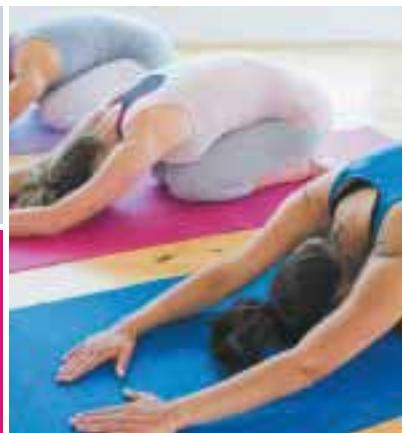
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Celebrity Training

Bridport residents launch fitness website 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers'

LOCAL business owners and fitness entrepreneurs Luke Hayter and Nicole Attrill have launched a new fitness venture with fashion and television personality Sam Faiers entitled 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers'.

Bridport residents Luke Hayter and Nicole Attrill have developed 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers' as an all inclusive health and fitness website focused on you getting the best results at home with your computer, smartphone or tablet. Renowned personal trainer Nicole Attrill and Sam Faiers head up the exercise tutorials with fun and challenging workouts for you to do at anytime, anywhere.

It's packed full of tutorials, advice and tips to help maximize your workout and get you that healthy, strong and dream body! Whether your goal is to get fitter, slimmer, stronger or more toned, Celebrity Training is your new personal trainer to help get you results and best news is – it can all be done from the comfort of your own home!

Filled with exclusive content it's also completely bespoke, you can send pictures of your improvement and target graphs are there to help see your progression! 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers' also has a food and diet section with recommendations from healthy eating expert Sophie Bradshaw.

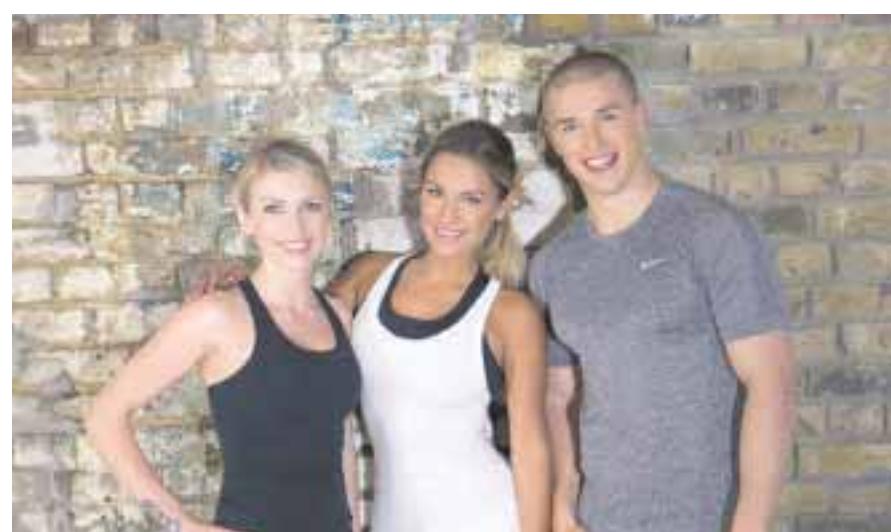
'Celebrity Training with Sam' directors Luke Hayter and Nicole Attrill comment:

'We are thrilled to be launching our new business venture 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers' next year, it's a great website and we have worked hard to make sure the workouts are challenging and fun at the same time. Launching our website with Sam Faiers is brilliant as she pushes herself and has seen

results from training with Nicole and is looking forward to sharing this with her fans.'

Fashion and television personality Sam Faiers adds: "I am really excited to be working with Luke and Nicole on our project 'Celebrity Training with Sam

Faiers' as I love all things health and fitness; the beauty of the website is that you can do it anywhere at any-time. As I lost a dramatic amount of weight from my Crohn's Disease, I feel stronger than ever since working with the team at Celebrity Training."



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- Replace butter with low-fat spreads.
- Choose reduced fat cheese or when using cheese in cooking, try a stronger flavour like mature Cheddar, which means you can use less.
- Brown leaner mince when making spaghetti bolognese or chilli, then drain off any fat before adding other ingredients.
- Choose desserts and dressings that are lower in fat.
- Use semi-skimmed, 1% fat or skimmed milk instead of whole milk.
- Swap sugary cereals for plain ones like porridge or wholegrain wheat biscuits.
- Use less sugar and salt, and try not to add salt to food when cooking.

Break the boozing

- If you tend to have a drink at a certain time, break the habit by doing something different at that time.
- If you drink every day, try to have at least two days a week when you don't drink at all.
- Pace yourself by sipping slowly, and space your drinks out - have a soft drink or glass of water in between.
- Have a smaller bottle of beer instead of a can, or a single instead of a double.
- Swap your usual for a drink with less alcohol, which may be cheaper and often has less calories.

Active ideas

- Walk or cycle to work, school and/or the shops.
- Use the stairs instead of the lift.
- Dance madly to your favourite songs in the kitchen.
- Take up a sport you enjoyed at school.
- Do some active housework or gardening.

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2015 fitness trends

LONG gone are the days when exercising meant going for a jog or heading to the local aerobics class.

These things still exist of course, but not quite in the same way - aerobics now means a long list of pump-it/dance-it/blast-it/shake-it-to-the-beat variations, there are all sorts of fancy gizmos and disciplines for strengthening up and, while jogging might still essentially be the same, look at how many people are now 'training' for an event, monitoring progress on smartphones and investing in the latest gravity-defying trainers.

Certainly, we're spoilt for choice these days when it comes to how we exercise. 2014 saw high-intensity interval training [HIIT] become mainstream, 'personal bests' are something everybody - not just pro athletes - think about, and getting-my-sweat-on overtook pouting-on-a-night-out as the social media selfie of choice.

According to the trend forecasters, there's more to come in 2015.

"We've all become more serious about sports and recognised that we might actually improve our performance if we trained specifically for the event," says leading personal trainer Matt Roberts. "It's taken a while, but following advice

experts have given for years is now on-trend and set to continue. Blame/thank the rise of triathlon and cycling, and their physical and technical demands..."

Indeed, 'fit not thin' was the mantra for 2014, with toned, healthy and strong overtaking catwalk-skinny as the most bandied body ideal (hurrah!). But how we look isn't the only fitness reward we cherish; how it makes us feel is important too.

"Working out now isn't just for the sake of it, and it's not just for aesthetics," adds Roberts. "A trek, mountain climb, triathlon, duathlon or any of the other events available are becoming the norm. Find a new goal, make it big, the world is your oyster and nothing is going to stop you in 2015!"

Personal fulfilment, improved mental and physical health, camaraderie and supporting charity campaigns all feature on our list of motivations for pursuing challenges too. On a day-to-day scale, against a backdrop of obesity epidemic headlines and rising rates of stress and depression, each and every one of us can benefit from being active.

Time and convenience top the list

"We're increasingly time poor," says Dave Kyle, head trainer for Les Mills UK. "We're working longer hours than ever, so finding time to work out can be increasingly difficult."

"A huge trend for 2015 will be convenience and time efficiency," adds Kyle. "Whereas previous years we've heard about extreme and tough workouts, 2015 will see more classes and workouts being offered that fit in and complement our busy lifestyles."

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Whether pounding through the water with a fast paced front crawl or toning up with breaststroke, swimming is a versatile sport that can really improve your aerobic fitness levels. It doesn't matter whether you're a beginner taking your first lesson in the water, having fun at Aqua Fit or returning to the sport after a break, Bridport Leisure Centre has something for everyone! The Main Pool plays host to a number of regular Aqua Fit classes including a new Aqua Blast class on a Tuesday evening from 6.30pm – 7.15pm. This is a high intensity session designed to raise cardio and endurance levels, whilst improving strength, flexibility and muscle tone with no impact on your joints.

Swimming is also a great family activity and the Big Fish Swim School kids' lessons could also help your little ones get a head start in the water. The Big Splash Inflatable session on Saturdays provides a fun hour for the kids to burn off some steam and go wild. On Sundays the Big Splash Fun sessions offer fun for all the family; both pools are filled with a variety of fun floats, mats, woggles and toys for everyone to enjoy.

The Main Pool is now open for Public Swimming until 8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, followed by Lane

Swimming until 9.30pm. The new and exciting Price for Life Swim Only Membership can help you make the most of the 25 metre pool. The Swim Only Membership allows you to enjoy unlimited use of the Swimming Pool during all public sessions; this membership is ideal for both the serious swimmer and those who want to unwind and relax with a leisurely swim and if you join now you can save the £25.00 joining fee!

With over 100 Fitness Classes per week, the new Fitness Class Timetable runs from Monday 5th January–March 31st 2015 and includes some new and exciting classes and courses. If you're looking for a Monday lunchtime workout, why not try the new 6 week Kettlebells Course to set you up for your week. If you want to move your dancing feet, then a new Line Dancing class will be running on Wednesday mornings from the 14th January in the Sports Hall, and for those who want to stretch and get bendy there is an additional 6 week Stretch Course starting on Saturday mornings



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**Sunday 11 Jan**  
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Friday 16 Jan
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Elaine appeared on prime time TV during the many years that she was with the Midland Youth Jazz Orchestra, and when she eventually moved to Devon she played in the Algy Davies Quartet, supporting many visiting national jazz musicians.

Elaine Davies is the musical director of the Carlton Big Band and the Carlton Swing Band. She also has her own jazz quartet, is a woodwind teacher in Devon, and a jazz educator. She plays the lead tenor saxophone in both bands as well as being a vocalist in the band.

Elaine is from the West Midlands and is a multi-instrumentalist. She started playing piano at the age of seven, clarinet at eleven, and saxophone since she was fifteen, then the flute at eighteen. She is also a classically trained singer, and joined Opera South West when she came to the West Country, enjoying playing such prestigious leading roles such as Bizet's 'Carmen' at Buckland Abbey.

Instead of touring with the Ivy Benson Band, she chose instead to come to Plymouth to take up a Head of Music teaching position. She first got the bug for jazz when she started doing jazz

club gigs in Birmingham with her saxophone teacher, Mike Burney, (Lead tenor saxophonist in Syd Lawrence Orchestra) while still at school. Having tuition from Don Rendell at Whirtley Hall, Sheffield, and master classes from Alan Wakeman and Stan Sultzman at Glamorgan College, Elaine soon became passionate about playing jazz. She was a member of the original Midland Youth Jazz Orchestra for many years, on lead tenor, making an album with Kenny Baker and the band, and appearing on prime time TV with MYJO.

Since moving to Plymouth, she met her first husband Lloyd (Algy) Davies at a jazz club. He was a superb jazz trombonist and Elaine played saxophone and flute in the Algy Davies Sextet, which often featured stars such as Don Rendell, Dick Pearce, Harry Beckett and Bobby Wellins. Elaine has played with many other bands such as Tour De Force, Joey The Lips, Soul Station and various jazz bands, and supports the Cavitron Fund by playing saxophone at their Fundraising Luncheons. She is kept busy being a bandleader and saxophonist, and teaching woodwind instruments in schools.

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Daily: 12.15, 15.00, 17.45, 20.30

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Sat, Sun: 17.00, 19.40

Mon: 14.15, 17.30, Thu: 14.15, 17.00

**The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug** 12A

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**Paddington** PG

Fri, Mon, Wed: 13.55, 16.10

Sat: 11.40, 13.55, 16.10

Sun: 10.40, 12.55, 15.10

Tue, Thu: 16.10

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Sat: 12.40, 17.40, 20.50

Sun: 11.20, 13.40

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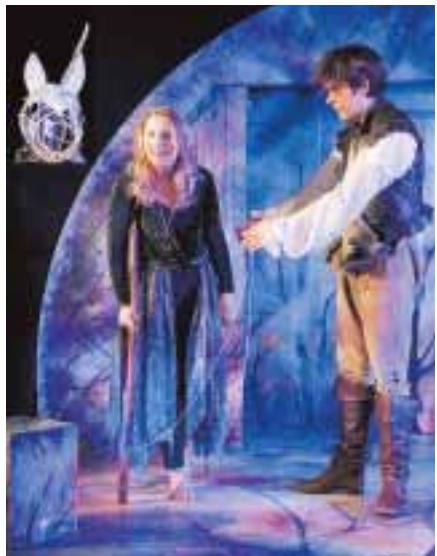
# A magical adventure for all the family

IN LONG ago England, amidst tranquil fields and meadows stands the tiny Hamlet of Wall. On the edge of the town, guarded around the clock, a stone wall separates the quiet town from the magical land of Faerie. Here, a young man has lost his heart and mind to the hauntingly beautiful Victoria Forester. And then, in the dead of night, a shooting star falls and breaches the wall of his love, sending him on the adventure of a lifetime.

In the luminescent glow of this star he will battle witches, sorcery, and fate, before finding his hearts true desire.

Forest Forge, the award-winning Hampshire based theatre company, have been entrusted with touring the world premiere of a stage adaptation of Neil Gaiman's classic Stardust. This wonderful family adventure was famously made into a film starring Michelle Pfeiffer and Robert De Niro in 2007. Packed full of eccentric characters, hilarious and thrilling moments, haunting music, magic and mayhem, this promises to be another special and unmissable seasonal show.

Forest Forge Theatre perform 'Stardust' on Wednesday, January 14th, at 7.30pm at Toller Porcorum Village Hall, for more details call 01300 320373. The show then comes to West Lulworth Village Hall on Friday, January 23rd at 7.30pm, for more details call 01929 400790.



## Casanova in Love

SO FAMOUS (or infamous) is the name of Casanova that it has gone into our dictionaries to describe men who are, for want of a better word, 'popular' with women.

Pip Utton, a firm favourite on the Artsreach circuit, has produced spellbinding performances over recent years, including 'Churchill', 'Chaplin' and 'Charles Dickens'. However, it's Casanova's story that this acclaimed performer has wanted to explore for some time. Now in a brand new play, Pip manages to fuse theatre and the spoken word with dance, to bring an added element to the story. Pip obviously plays Casanova, and has almost all the dialogue, but is also joined on stage by a young contemporary French dancer Marguerite Chaigne who, though few words to say, portrays all six of his conquests.

Comic and moving, surprising and beautiful Casanova is a totally entertaining piece of theatre. Welcome to Casanova's memories, his dreams, his conquests and his broken hearts, his highs and his lows, his triumphs and his defeats and, of course, his seduction secrets.

'Casanova in Love' comes to Broadwindsor Comrades Hall on Friday, January 23rd at 7.30pm. For more details call 01308 867644.



## Comedy Network launches at the Palace

ON A COLD winter's night, there's nothing like a good belly laugh and January 2015 sees the launch of the Electric Palace's new Comedy Network.

The first event, on Friday, January 9th, features Jarleth Regan, Adam Hess and Mark Smith.

Award winning comedian and writer for Russell Howard's Good News and the hit Irish panel show, The Panel, **Jarleth Regan** has gained a reputation with the industry and audiences for his uplifting, inventive and relentlessly funny stand-up, enjoying sell-out runs at the Fringe since 2007. A finalist in both the BBC and Channel 4 New Comedy Awards, Jarleth's first published book *How To Break Bad News* was an instant best-seller. It gained many celebrity fans including Ardal O'Hanlon who called it "Original, funny and deliciously wrong!" Jarleth's second book *Putting A Ring On It - What Not To Do When Attempting To Get Married* became a cult hit in his homeland.

**Adam Hess** (winner of Chortle Student Comedy Award 2011) is well-known for his surreal one-liners and prolific writing talents, having written for TV regulars such as Sean Walsh and Chris Ramsey. Adam has also become widely known for his unique brand of comedy on Twit-

ter and in the last two years has accrued tens of thousands of followers from the jokes he posts there alone. The BBC even filmed a selection of his tweets as sketches starring him as one of their 'Feed My Funny' videos.

**Mark Smith** (Russell Howard's Good News, MTV) has been performing stand-up regularly since 2008 and has rapidly established himself as one of the most interesting and exciting comics on the circuit. Since reaching the final of 'So You Think You're Funny' in 2009, Mark has gigged all over the UK, is a regular MC and has broken into television to present for MTV2 and to write and perform for 'Dick and Dom's Funny Business' on BBC Two. When Mark is not gigging he is the warm-up for shows such as *Have I Got News For You* and *Room 101* (both BBC1).

There's more comedy at the Electric Palace the following week when **Sara Pascoe**, one of Britain's funniest women, will be on stage on Saturday, January 17th. A week later, the Electric Palace's second comedy network, featuring **Gareth Richards**, **Phil Wang**, **Kieran Boyd**, takes place on Friday, January 23rd.

Full details of all Electric Palace shows coming up in 2014 can be found at [www.electricpalace.org.uk](http://www.electricpalace.org.uk)

Friday 9 January  
**COMEDY NETWORK**  
featuring **Jarleth Regan, Mark Smith and Adam Hess**  
7:15pm Doors, 8:15pm Start  
£10 + bf advance / £12 on door

Saturday 17 January  
**SARA PASCOE vs HISTORY**  
**Jess Fostekew supporting**  
7pm Doors/8pm Start  
£12 + bf advance / £14 on door

Thursday 22 January  
**National Theatre Live: TREASURE ISLAND**  
Doors 6pm Start 7pm  
£10 + bf / £12 + bf on door

Friday 23 January  
**COMEDY NETWORK**  
featuring **Gareth Richards, Phil Wang and Kieran Boyd**  
7:15pm Doors, 8:15pm Start  
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Coming soon: Bridport Pantomime Players present *Cinderella*, Broadchurch composer Olafur Arnalds, Pam Ayres and Fairport Convention.

**Tickets from Bridport Tourist Information Centre 01308 424901 or online from [See Tickets](http://See Tickets)**

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## View 2 Diary Dates

### THURSDAY JANUARY 8TH

**DORCHESTER:** Plant Heritage Dorset Group AGM at 7pm, followed by a light-hearted but not so easy horticultural quiz - 'Plants, Places and People' presented by Martin Young, in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College near Dorchester. Visitors welcome (£2.50; students £1.00 at door). Details from Rob on 01929 481535 and the NCCPG website.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 9TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis U3A - Coffee/tea at 10am at the Woodmead Hall, followed at 11am by a talk by Bruce Upton of Bridport Museum. A light-hearted look at how advertising has developed, using the "Bridport News" of a 100 years ago, 20th century iconic adverts and politically incorrect specimens from the 1950s onwards. U3A Members free, visitors £2.

### MONDAY JANUARY 12TH

**BEAMINSTER:** Beaminster Moviola presents 'Pride'. At Beaminster Public Hall. Doors open 7pm, film from 7.30pm. Tickets available from Yarn Barton £5 in advance or £5.50 on the door. For more details call 01308 861378.

**BURTON BRADSTOCK:** Biodanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. £7 each (concessions available - just ask). 7.15pm for 7.30pm at Othona Community, Coast Road, DT6 4RN. For more details call 01308 897 130 or visit biodanza-bridport.co.uk

**DORCHESTER:** The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship meeting in the Lecture Theatre, Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester will start at 2.30 pm when Marion Biles will give a talk on her year as Mayoree. New members welcome. Membership fee of £3.50 is now due.

**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 14TH

**DORCHESTER:** Elvis Day at Age UK Dorchester. Exhibition of memorabilia on show including records, movie posters, books and a slideshow of photos from Tupelo, Memphis and Nashville. Lots of music and a few surprises. Exhibition from 10am-11.30am. Coffee and cookies will be included in the entrance fee of £1.50. In the afternoon at the Evergreen Cinema there will be a special showing of 'Blue Hawaii'. The cinema lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits will be served during the screen, for just £1.50, and ice creams also available. For more details call 01305 269444.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 15TH

**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.

**DORCHESTER:** A talk will be given for the South Dorset R.S.P.B. Group at St George's Church Hall, Fordington, Dorchester at 7.45pm. The talk will be given by Martin Cade, Portland Bird Observatory Manager. Martin talks about the work of the Bird Observatory on the unique strange and compelling island of Portland. Admission £3 members, visitors £3.50 to include coffee and biscuits.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 16TH

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 2-3.30pm, at St Martin's Community Hall (Next to the Church). Cakes, Preserves, Raffle, Craft, Plants, Bric-a-brac, books, Jigsaws, Cards, Local Pork, Sausages and Eggs, Local Watercress, Plants from a local Nursery and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds to St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting. Nigel Clarke, Luftwaffe Aerial Photography of the 2nd World War, at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm.

**CHARMOUTH:** Bingo at St Andrew's Hall, Lower Sea Lane. Doors 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Raffle, draw board and licensed bar.

### SATURDAY JANUARY 17TH

**UPLYME:** Jumble Sale at Uplyme Village Hall, 2pm. In aid of Royal British Legion Women's Section. For more details call 01297 442435.

### MONDAY JANUARY 19TH

**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.

### TUESDAY JANUARY 20TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2pm-4pm at Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. A

## New year, new historical dance class

HOW are you feeling after days of enjoying good food, partying or watching television? Would you like some exercise, trying something different that stretches muscles and mind? Why not try historical dance?

Starting on January 22nd, the classes take place every fourth Thursday from 7.30pm to 10.30pm. The Town Hall is above the Corn Exchange and you can park near the entrance in North Square. Cost is £6 (£5 concessions) which gets you 3 hours of expert tuition, exercise for body and brain, and a cuppa with like-minded new friends.

Tutor Ann Hinchliffe trains with Dolmetsch Historical Dance Society and the Early Dance Circle, whose experts appeared before Christmas on BBC Four with Len Goodman and Dr Lucy Worsley. "I've danced ceilidh and morris for years," she says. "I wondered where the dances came from, so I began studying with Dolmetsch. Now I'm the historical dancing master at Barrington Court, a National Trust property where we dance in the Tudor Great Hall. I'm looking forward to running the class in Dorchester where there's such a treasury of history and music."

Dances will cover several centuries during each session, from Renaissance galliards to Jacobean country dances and Regency cotillions. "The dances are musical aerobics, as in the days before central heating," explains Ann. "We warm up with gentle steps, then tackle one complex dance each session. Since 2015 is the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, this year's focus will be on Regency dances." Is that what we saw in the Jane Austen films? "Yes, but faster. Dances in films have to be slowed down for actors to speak their lines while they move. People are often surprised by how energetic the originals are."

Dorset has other historical dancers: Libby Goodchild's Tuesday evening class at Dorchester Ballet School, Yeo Historical Dancers who practise at Sherborne, and until recently Ring of Eight. The new group, however, is not a performance team. So: no costume needed, but comfortable loose clothes and flexible footwear. You don't have to bring a partner, you don't need previous experience, you don't have to commit yourself to more than one session. Just turn up at Dorchester Town Hall and prepare to be challenged.

For more details call Ann Hinchliffe on 01935 472771 or email [samedifference@live.co.uk](mailto:samedifference@live.co.uk).



Dancers in the Great Hall, Barrington Court, near Ilminster

## One man Dracula show in Wootton

**BEWARE.** He is coming. Keep your windows locked and gather in the garlic.

The team that brought you the award-winning 'Great Expectations' have got their teeth into Bram Stoker's classic tale of the vampire. "outrageously versatile" actor David Mynne brings you a one-man performance of Dracula. Blood and bats. Garlic and gore. Lunatics and flies. Sexy lady vampires. Coffins, crypts and the Count

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This show will tour with Artsreach, who this year are celebrating 25 years of bringing live

professional performances to rural Dorset.

David Mynne brings 'Dracula' to Wootton Fitzpaine Village Hall on Thursday, February 12th at 7.30pm (doors open 7pm).

Tickets are £8 (U18s £6) from Box Office Box at The Charmouth Practice.

For information and advanced cheques call 01297 560948 or visit the website at [www.artsreach.co.uk](http://www.artsreach.co.uk)

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5.15-6.15pm PILATES

6.00-7.15pm SILKS AERIAL COURSE ADULTS (16+)

6.30-7.30pm CIRCUITS

7.45-8.30pm GROUP STUDIO CYCLING

#### TUESDAY

6.30-7.30pm ZUMBA

#### WEDNESDAY

4.00-6.00pm GYMNASTICS

6.00-6.45pm GROUP STUDIO CYCLING

6.00-7.00pm BRIT RUNNING CLUB

7.00-8.00pm BACK 2 NETBALL CLUB

8.00-9.30pm VOLLEYBALL

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### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21ST

**TYPE:** West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. 'The Art and Meaning of Maps' lecturer: Prof. Jeremy Black. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 22ND

**BEAMINSTER:** Dr Lucy Goodison will give an illustrated talk, entitled 'Sexuality and the goddess' to the One World Forum in the Strode Room, (next to St Mary's Church) at 7.30pm. Visitor's entry remains at £4 which includes tea/coffee/biscuit.

**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.

**BRIDPORT:** Talk: 'T.S. Eliot Life and Work' by Graham Fawcett at Sladers Yard, 6.30pm. Tickets £10 or £15 with support. Call 01308 459511 for more details or to book.

### SATURDAY JANUARY 24TH

**WEYMOUTH:** Friends of Weymouth Library present 'Smuggling Tales from Dorset & Hampshire' a talk by ex-Yvette Bonny Sartin. At the library, from 10.30am. £1.50 members, £2.50 non-members. Includes refreshments.

**BRIDPORT:** Bring and Buy Coffee Morning, Tombola, Raffles etc at St Mary's Church House, South Street, 10.30am-12.30pm. All proceeds from this coffee morning will go to the National Osteoporosis Society. A chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee.

### SUNDAY JANUARY 25TH

**WHITCHURCH CANICORUM:** 15th Annual Farmhouse Breakfast at Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall from 9am - 2pm. In aid of hall funds with donation to Joseph Weld hospice. Further details available from Sue 01297 489375

### MONDAY JANUARY 26TH

**BURTON BRADSTOCK:** Biodanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. £7 each (concessions available - just ask). 7.15pm for 7.30pm at Othona Community, Coast Road, DT6 4RN. For more details call 01308 897 130 or visit [biodanza-bridport.co.uk](http://biodanza-bridport.co.uk)

### TUESDAY JANUARY 27TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Workshop 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Lyme Regis Football Club, Charmouth Road, Lyme Regis. A follow up to Jake Winkle's demonstration on painting wildlife in watercolour. Free on site parking. All are welcome. Please contact Sue Wells on 01297 442489 to register and for more information including suggested list of materials.

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28TH

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society meeting. Alice Holden runs a small team growing organic food on a two acre site in Dagenham, east of London, and will be telling us how it was set up on a derelict industrial site and now runs successfully. The talk title is "Grown in Dagenham". 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 30TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting at Woodmead Halls. Seascapes, Open PDI, and Print competitions. 7.30pm-10pm. For more details call 01297 444733

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

**DORCHESTER:** Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Snowdrop Memorial Services of Remembrance at The Borough Gardens at 3pm.

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5TH

**BRIDPORT:** Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Snowdrop Memorial Services of Remembrance at Bridport United Church at 11.30am.

### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7TH

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport Ceilidhs featuring "Jigs for Gigs" with caller Simon Maplesden, at Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South Street. Bring and Share finger food supper, with soft drinks provided; bring your own beer/wine. Doors open 7.15 for 7.30-11pm dance. Tickets £8.50 on the door but numbers will be limited for comfortable dancing so better in advance for £7.50 from Bridport Music Shop and Jaxsons Delicatessen; or call to reserve with organiser Monty (on 01308 423442). See [www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com](http://www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com)



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## Crossways Parish Council

### Vacancy for Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer

Due to a forthcoming retirement Crossways Parish Council has a requirement for a Parish Clerk, working 16 hours per week including some evenings.

The Clerk is responsible for the agenda and minutes of the monthly council meetings, the council finances, liaison with other bodies and members of the public, correspondence and e-mails etc.

Candidates should have good communication skills and be computer literate, particularly in Microsoft Word and Excel. The Council does not have an office. Therefore the Clerk will be expected to work at home and provide some document storage. A computer, printer and office sundries will be provided as will a dedicated telephone line.

There is no requirement for the post holder to live within the Parish but they will be required to make journeys around the area as necessary to fulfill their duties and to attend meetings. Expenses will be paid as appropriate. The salary for this position ranges from £8,613 to £9,900 per hour dependent upon qualifications and experience as well as the successful completion of a three month trial period.

A detailed job description and further information is available from the Council's Chairman, Mr Andrew Brewer on 01305 853125 or by e mail to brewera3@hotmail.com

Applications in writing, including a CV and contact details of two referees, should be sent to Mr Andrew Brewer, Summer Cottage, 13 Warmwell Road, Crossways, Dorset, DT2 8BS or e mail to brewera3@hotmail.com

Closing date for applications: 31 January 2015

It is hoped to hold interviews during the week commencing 9 February 2015

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Lucy and her team will be able to give you information on the following:-

- Do you sums – Seek advice from our lettings department on the monthly rental against the cost of your mortgage repayments. Don't forget to take into account voids where the property sits empty for a month or two.
- Research the market – Choose an area where there are good facilities such as local shops, pubs, schools and public transport.
- Tenants – Do not imagine yourself living in the property but, put yourself in the shoes of your target tenant. Who are they and what do they want? Young Professionals – modern and stylish. Families – They have their own belongings so a blank canvass is essential.
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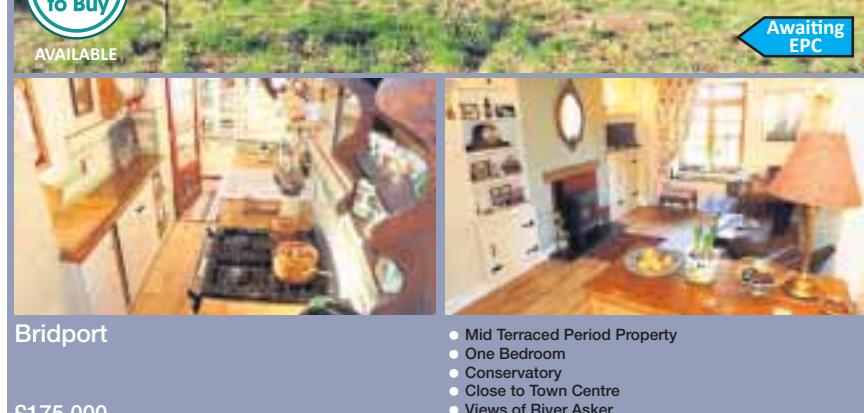
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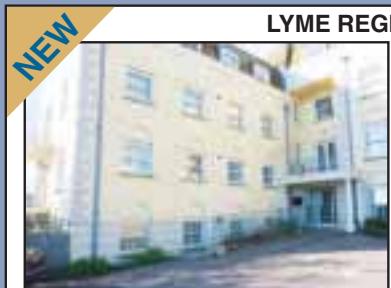
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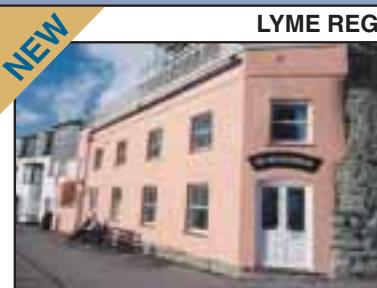
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The striking Q60 Concept is poised to entice coupe fans with its sharp contours and hand-crafted interior, while at the same time suggesting performance and power to match. Result: a no-compromise fusion of looks and speed.

The Q60 Concept sits low and wide in a road-hugging stance hinting at exceptional dynamics and driving pleasure.

While the Q60 Concept is fresh and original, it evokes a sense of déjà vu at times with whiffs and traces of the Q80 Inspiration (shown this past October at the Paris Motor Show) evident in its finest details.

The audacious low roofline and quilted leather seats remind one of the elegant full-size Q80 Inspiration, while the aerodynamic gills behind the front wheel arches are inherited from the Q50 Eau Rouge sports saloon concept.

"The Q80 Inspiration was an indication of Infiniti's future design language," said Alfonso Albaisa, Infiniti Executive Design Director. "The Q60 Concept is the next step in the journey."

"The sweeping lines of the Q80 Inspiration gave the Q60 Concept its coupe silhouette and looks while the Formula One-inspired touches from the Q50 Eau Rouge endowed the coupe with its sports personality."

The visual excitement in the edgy lines of the concept is set off by the custom 21-inch wheels which take up the entire wheel arch. Inspired by jet turbine blades, the black spokes in a combination of mattes and chromes stretch to the edge of the wheel, further emphasising how "planted" the coupe is.

The high-quality ambience inside speaks of Infiniti's meticulous attention to detail, clearly evident from the impeccable hand-stitched leather to the precise treatment of the carbon fibre accents.

Infiniti designers use a variety of leathers

on the seats to provide just the perfect balance of comfort and support as befits a premium sports coupe. They also make the Q60 Concept a genuine "2+2" coupe by giving rear passengers more legroom through the use of genuine sport seats.

As a foreshadowing of the next generation of Infiniti's premium sports coupe, the Q60 Concept makes use of taut lines and sports car cues to convey exceptional stance and presence.

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## 2015 Mazda Cx-5 - Upgraded Standard Equipment



▲ 2015 Mazda CX-5, EU Spec

THE 2015 Mazda CX-5 upgraded model goes on sale in the UK in spring this year. Priced from £22,295 to £30,595 on-the-road (OTR), the 16-strong model range features significant interior trim and standard equipment specification upgrades, as well as exterior enhancements.

The 2015 Mazda CX-5 model range is available in three grades; SE-L, SE-L Lux and Sport Nav. The range comprises three 2.0 litre petrol two-wheel drive variants equipped with six-speed manual transmissions, and thirteen 2.2 litre diesel versions - six of which are available with all-wheel drive - fitted with a choice of six

speed manual or automatic transmissions. 'No other vehicle in the Mazda range demonstrates the value of SKYACTIV technology more clearly than the Mazda CX-5' commented Mazda UK Sales Director, Peter Allibon. 'It has allowed the company to build a Compact SUV that delivers outstanding fuel economy and low CO2 emissions without compromising either performance or driving dynamics. And now, for 2015, significant enhancements and standard equipment upgrades make the Mazda CX-5 more price-competitive than ever before.'

The standard equipment specification of

every model in the CX-5 line-up has been enhanced through the addition of manual front passenger seat height adjustment, an electronic parking brake, a coming/leaving home headlamp function, and the company's Multimedia Commander with separate volume dial for safe, intuitive interactivity and infotainment control.

A new 7-inch, full-colour, centre console touch-screen incorporates DAB radio, two ports for USB connectivity and MZD Connect. Paired with a smartphone, MZD Connect makes it easier to take advantage of functions such as internet connectivity and access to social networking services.

Top-of-the-range Sport Nav models benefit from new exterior features including 19-inch Gunmetal alloy wheels, LED headlamps including LED daytime running lights, and LED foglamps.

On board, an already comprehensive Sport Nav standard equipment specification is further bolstered by a new Integrated Navigation system which offers greater accuracy, improved search features and three years of free map updating.

SE-L Lux and Sport Nav grade options now include Stone Leather upholstery (in lieu of black), whilst the Sport Nav options list further benefits from Mazda Radar Cruise Control, and an evolution of the Safety Pack which incorporates several newly-developed technologies.

Adaptive LED headlamps (ALH) automatically adjust the array of high beam illumination to avoid dazzling the occupants of both oncoming and preceding vehicles, without the need to switch to low beam lighting.

The Lane-keep Assist System (LAS) with Driver Attention Alert (DAA) builds on the existing Lane Departure Warning system, providing steering wheel vibration and assisted steering if the driver strays from the middle of the chosen lane. Having first learned the owners driving style, DAA operates at speeds of over 40mph, alerting drivers to take a break if it detects a degra-

dation in driving style indicating fatigue.

Advanced Blind-Spot Monitoring with Rear Cross-Traffic Alert (BSMW/RCTA) combines two systems in one for greater safety. The system's larger detection area to the side and rear of the vehicle provides better coverage, whilst BSM employs the same system sensors to detect pedestrians, bicycles and other vehicles when reversing.

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## Mazda2 Black Edition And White Edition Celebrate The New Year In Style

SEEING in the New Year in style, two new special edition 5-door Mazda2 models, the Black Edition and White Edition, is on sale from January 1st 2015 priced at £12,145 on-the-road.

Since its launch in 2007, the current Mazda2 has won over the Supermini segment with its styling flair, engaging driving dynamics and generous equipment specification levels. Embodying the model's energy and spirit, the Black Edition and White Edition bring more than a dash of extra urban chic to the Mazda2 line-up with sporting styling cues and a host of unique specification features.

"The Mazda2 Black Edition and White Edition represent a last chance for our customers to get their hands on a unique version of the current 5-door Mazda2," said Mazda UK Sales Director, Peter Allibon. "As with every Mazda special edition model, they combine bespoke exterior and interior styling with a lavish standard equipment specification, offering customers stand-out in-

dividuality and outstanding value for money."

A choice of bold, Jet Black Mica or Crystal White Pearlescent exterior colours is complemented by bespoke, diffuser-style rear bumper trim, a Jet Black rear spoiler and power-operated, heated folding door mirrors, rear privacy glass, 15-inch Dark Grey alloy wheels, unique Black Edition and White Edition badging, and the no-cost option of striking, colour-coded bonnet and roof stripe graphics.

On board, that sporting flair is reinforced by body-coloured accents to the door trim and air vents, black cloth upholstery with red piping, glossy Dark Grey audio panel and steering wheel inserts.

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The new Black Edition and White Edition are

powered by Mazda's lively 1.3-litre 75ps petrol engine mated to a slick 5-speed manual transmission. And both urban and open-road safety standards are enhanced by the addition of Dynamic Stability Control (DSC) and a Traction Control System (TCS).

The appeal of the current Mazda2 model range has been further enhanced through an improved finance offer. All models are now available with Zero deposit, 0% APR\* Representative on Mazda Personal Contract Purchase (PCP) and a Deposit Contribution which has been increased from £500 to £750, over a maximum term of 42 months.

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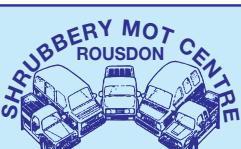
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### Local football round-up

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# Beaten but not disgraced - all-conqueroring Barrington just too strong for Netherbury

#### RESULTS

Saturday, December 27th  
CORONATION CUP FINAL  
Combe Res 3  
Shepton Beauchamp 6 (aet)  
(at Millwey Rise FC)

#### PERRY STREET LEAGUE Division One Cup Final

**BARRINGTON 3 NETHERBURY 1**  
(Saturday, January 3rd at Misterton)  
BARRINGTON continued their seemingly inevitable march to an unprecedented quartet of trophies with victory over a plucky Netherbury side at Misterton on Saturday.

Both teams came into the game in magnificent form with Barrington unbeaten all season and Netherbury having won their last eight on the spin.

After some questionable choices for cup final venues in recent years, PSDL officials' decision to stage the game at Misterton was fully justified with the vast majority of other matches in the region washed out and the Unity Lane surface in decent shape.

Barrington took the game to the Ambers from the off. In the first minute pacey front man Tom Perry fired into the side netting. Then centre-back Sam Spurway showed great technique to chest the ball down before swivelling well and forcing a fine low save from keeper Rob Harp.

Soon after Harp went full stretch to turn a Gay Dare shot around the post.

But the party couldn't last and it was no surprise in the 17th minute when impressive left-back Dan Rolandson skipped over a couple of challenges before reaching the byline and crossing for Perry to slot the ball home.

At this stage Netherbury, in their third final in this competition in the last six seasons, were largely limited to efforts from corner kicks which were dealt with well by Barrington keeper-captain Mark Cullen, Spurway and his centre-back partner Mike Whitefield who was later adjudged MoM.

The lead was doubled just before the half-hour when referee Chris Emmer-

son, officiating in his first PSDL cup final spotted a trip by Netherbury full-back Christian Steward on Perry, and top-scorer Andy Whitefield smashed the resulting penalty kick high into the net for his 23rd goal of the season.

Netherbury then finally began to force their way into the game. A swift counter attack down the left wing following a Barrington corner saw Chris Symes have a shot blocked by Cullen.

Soon after this a flick on reached the unmarked Mark Cuff unmarked at the back stick but his header from six yards lacked power.

Just before the break Tom Franklin fired a drive from the corner of the box which was well saved by Cullen.

There was a rash of bookings just around the interval with Mike Whitefield, Perry and James Thompson all finding themselves in referee Emmerison's book in a short space of time. And the mounting number of cautions were to prove crucial later in the match.

Barrington were slow out of the blocks after the turnaround and the Ambers sensed a chance to force their way back into a game that had seemed to be lost.

Cuff had a close range back heel blocked and striker Ryan Gall was denied by a fine last ditch tackle by Mike Whitefield.

They grabbed a lifeline their head of steam deserved on the hour when a close range shot from Ryan Gay was handed on the line and Franklin coolly side-footed home from 12 yards.

This was the first goal Barrington had conceded in more than six hours of competitive football.

But hopes of completing a stirring fightback were ended four minutes later when Ambers' defender Nathan Goldstone was dismissed after receiving a second yellow card.

The result was confirmed in the 68th minute when a long throw-in was flicked home by a near post header from Simon Cherry.

Dare went close to rubbing salt into the wounds when he caught Gay in possession but his angled shot was



■ COOLY DONE: Netherbury skipper Tom Franklin (extreme right) sends Barrington keeper Mark Cullen the wrong way from the penalty spot to give his side hope in Saturday's PSDL Division One League Cup Final at Misterton.

Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

blocked by Harp.

Dare and Gay, who had a good battle throughout, were added to referee Emmerison's bulging book after tangling late on.

Dare then found Andy Whitefield but his shot was tipped over by glove-man Harp.

It mattered not, and Barrington lifted the trophy for the second time - the first occasion being way back in 1967-68.

#### D & E DIVISION THREE

Axmouth Utd p Woodbury p  
Cheriton Fitz p Clyst Valley Res p  
Exmouth Town Res p Tedburn St Mary p  
Henry's Cronies p Axminster Town Res p  
(Axminster failed to raise a team)

Pinhoe 3 Chagford 9  
Thorverton Res p Lyme Regis p

#### FIXTURES

Saturday, January 10th  
**PERRY STREET LEAGUE**  
**SOMERSET JUNIOR CUP QF**



◆ KILLER GOAL: Barrington's Simon Cherry (blue) loops home a near post header to make it 3-1 and kill off the now 10-man Netherbury fightback.

Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

#### As they stand

| Toolstation Prem  | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Bristol Manor Fm  | 20  | 24  | 52  |
| Melksham Town     | 19  | 21  | 36  |
| Brislington       | 20  | 17  | 35  |
| Bitton            | 22  | 7   | 35  |
| Slimbridge        | 18  | 7   | 33  |
| Willand Rovers    | 16  | 14  | 31  |
| Street            | 24  | 0   | 31  |
| Shepton Mallet    | 19  | 3   | 29  |
| Odd Down          | 20  | 7   | 29  |
| Bradford Town     | 19  | 2   | 29  |
| BRIDPORT          | 20  | -7  | 29  |
| Buckland Athletic | 17  | 9   | 27  |
| Sherborne Town    | 20  | 6   | 26  |
| Gillingham Town   | 21  | -3  | 23  |
| Cadbury Heath     | 19  | -13 | 22  |
| Longwell Green    | 21  | -16 | 22  |
| Winterbourne Utd  | 20  | -20 | 20  |
| Hallen            | 20  | -17 | 18  |
| Bishops Sutton    | 21  | -41 | 14  |

#### Dorset Premier

| Dorset Premier       | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Merley Cobham        | 20  | 37  | 52  |
| PORTLAND UTD         | 19  | 47  | 48  |
| Parley Sports        | 21  | 26  | 45  |
| Hamworthy Rec        | 17  | 41  | 43  |
| WEYMOUTH RES         | 20  | 21  | 39  |
| Shaftesbury Town     | 19  | 3   | 34  |
| Wareham Rangers      | 18  | 7   | 32  |
| Mere Town            | 20  | 5   | 29  |
| Westland Sports      | 18  | -2  | 24  |
| Sherborne Res        | 19  | -5  | 24  |
| BRIDPORT RES         | 18  | -5  | 23  |
| Swanage & Herst      | 15  | -1  | 20  |
| Blandford Utd        | 21  | -28 | 19  |
| Tintinhull           | 20  | -27 | 16  |
| Cranborne            | 20  | -34 | 14  |
| Sturminster Marshall | 21  | -33 | 13  |
| Hamworthy Utd Res    | 18  | -21 | 12* |
| Poole Borough        | 20  | -31 | 10  |

#### D & E Div Three

| D & E Div Three  | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Exmouth Tn Res   | 15  | 36  | 33  |
| LYME REGIS       | 14  | 45  | 30  |
| Henry's Cronies  | 11  | 31  | 26  |
| Woodbury         | 12  | 14  | 26  |
| Exeter Univ Stns | 12  | 8   | 25  |
| Chagford         | 14  | 12  | 22  |
| Clyst Valley Res | 16  | -9  | 19  |
| Cheriton Fitzp   | 15  | 0   | 18  |
| Studland St Mary | 10  | -10 | 14  |
| Axmouth Utd      | 12  | -5  | 13  |
| Thorverton Res   | 13  | -20 | 12  |
| Exmouth Amt Res  | 16  | -32 | 11  |
| Axminster Res    | 16  | -38 | 10  |
| Pinhoe           | 16  | -32 | 9   |

#### Premier

| Premier         | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Perry Street    | 12  | 24  | 28  |
| Crewkerne Town  | 8   | 30  | 24  |
| Shepton Beau    | 11  | 28  | 22  |
| South Petherton | 11  | 28  | 22  |
| W & M Chinnoch  | 10  | 20  | 21  |
| BEAMINSTER      | 11  | 23  | 15  |
| Combe Res       | 10  | 23  | 12  |
| LYME REGIS RES  | 12  | -20 | 12  |
| Misterton       | 10  | -84 | 3   |
| Ilminster Colts | 11  | -72 | 0   |

#### Division One

| Division One   | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Barrington     | 9   | 38  | 27  |
| Millway Rise   | 11  | 21  | 25  |
| Winsham Utd    | 11  | 16  | 24  |
| Forton Rangers | 11  | 9   | 18  |
| NETHERBURY     | 9   | 8   | 17  |
| Chard Utd      | 13  | 2   | 16  |
| LYME BANTAMS   | 11  | -13 | 11  |
| Luso-Chard     | 11  | -24 | 9   |
| PYMORE         | 10  | -17 | 4   |
| Farway Utd     | 10  | -40 | 3   |

#### Division Two

| Division Two     | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| DRIMPTON         | 10  | 32  | 26  |
| Thorncombe       | 10  | 11  | 21  |
| WAYTOWN HNDS     | 12  | 9   | 19  |
| Crewkerne Res    | 11  | -2  | 17  |
| UPLYME           | 9   | 3   | 13  |
| CHARMOUTH        | 12  | -7  | 13  |
| BEAMINSTER RES   | 11  | 2   | 11  |
| Combe A          | 11  | -11 | 10  |
| Ilminster Town A | 10  | -56 | -2  |

#### Division Three

| Division Three    | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Chard Utd Res     | 10  | 13  | 22  |
| Kingsbury Episc   | 10  | 17  | 21  |
| Barrington Res    | 10  | 15  | 21  |
| Hawkchurch Utd    | 10  | 10  | 16  |
| S.Petherton Res   | 12  | -4  | 14  |
| Thorncombe Res    | 11  | -4  | 13  |
| Dowlish & Don     | 10  | -6  | 11* |
| Shepton Beau Res  | 9   | -10 | 9   |
| Merrriott Dynamos | 8   | -2  | 9   |
| Chard Rangers     | 9   | -12 | 9   |
| Millway Res       | 9   | -17 | 5*  |

#### Division Four

| Division Four      | Pld | GD  | Pts |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Merrriott Rovers   | 9   | 51  | 27  |
| Combe B            | 10  | 28  | 25  |
| Winsham Utd Res    | 12  | -1  | 18  |
| Crewk Rangers Res  | 11  | 7   | 16  |
| UPLYME RES         | 9   | 4   | 15  |
| Hinton St George   | 8   | -1  | 11  |
| DRIMPTON RES       | 10  | -9  | 9   |
| Chard Rangers Res  | 9   | -15 | 9   |
| Farway Utd Res     | 7   | -14 | 4   |
| Chard Utd AllStars | 11  | -50 | 4   |

\*Pts deducted

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## U6 football in Bridport

BRIDPORT Football Club are launching a new under 6s team.

Training sessions will be held at Colfox School on Wednesday evenings between 6pm and 7pm - beginning tonight (Wednesday, January 7th).

Please contact Martin Phillips (manager) on 07969 882496 for more details.

## Bridport Skittles

CUP Fixtures for week beginning Monday, January 12th.

### Mens Individuals (2nd Round)

Monday, January 12th

WEST DORSET CLUB - H Rathbone; M Powell; R Pincombe; C Wilcox; N Pye; R Paultley; D Cooper; S Welsford; M Horton; B Robinson; D Cowburn; A Paultley; A Gay; G Brooks; P Scott; B Chapple.

### Ladies Individuals

(1st Round - no byes)

Tuesday, January 13th

BRADPOLE CLUB - M Hansford; C Lambert; K Tuck; C Bailey; S Newman; E Hooper; C Huxter; G Legg; J Doble; J Cake; M Paultley; A Wiscombe; S Luter; B Crandon; H Doble; J Brooks; J Symes; V Cozens.

## Wessex Point-to-Point

## West Bay Sea Angling

# Cullingford finally breaks his duck

AFTER years of trying Adam Cullingford finally won the West Bay Sea Angling Club's **Christmas Fayre** held at Burton Bradstock and West Bay.

Most anglers fished at Burton, and with a good sea running with plenty of colour, they caught cod, dogfish whiting, pout and rockling. Cullingford's haul of just over 5kg of fish saw him win by some margin from Simon Bowditch and Paul House.

Competitors weighed-in back at the Salthouse where they enjoyed a hot meal and after the prize giving, a draw was made for the Christmas presents that competitors brought to the match.

**Result:** 1st: Adam Cullingford 5070g, 2nd: Simon Bowditch 3360g, 3rd: Paul House 3150g, Heaviest fish: Paul House - cod 1320g, Most species: Craig Horton - five bearded/shore rockling and pout.

### Andy Neal Rover - Dec 13th

A WEEK earlier, all but two anglers chose to fish at Burton on a calm and cold evening with plenty of fish coming to the scales.

Lea Windsor was one of those anglers who decided to fish at Bexington, which was a good move as he found plenty of fish including five plump codling.

1st: Lea Windsor 8125g, 2nd: Ollie Mears 7129g, 3rd: Steve Fowles 7045g, Most species: PJ Wheeler (8) - flounder, codling, dogfish, pout, whiting, poor cod and five-bearded/shore rockling. Heaviest fish: (above bags removed) Paul House - dogfish 875g.

This completed the club's fixture list for the year; the first match of 2015 took place on January 1st at Abbotsbury.

The club's new membership year also starts on January 1st; to join or for more information please contact the Angling Centre, West Bay.



◆ AT LAST: Adam Cullingford (left) is presented with his prize by shore secretary Steve Fowles

## Wessex Point-to-Point

# Your full calendar of 2015 meetings

### ROYAL ARTILLERY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH. First race: 11.35am LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire

Secretary: Mr A Connell. Telephone: 01980 662529

### SOUTH DORSET

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST. First race: noon

MILBORNE ST ANDREW, nr Bere Regis, Dorset

Secretary: Mrs K Davis. Telephone: 01258 817151

### COMBINED SERVICES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH. First race: 11.30am

LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire

Secretary: Mrs M O'Hare. Telephone: 01980 655556

### COUNTRYSIDE ALLIANCE CLUB (WESSEX)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND. First race: noon

BADBURY RINGS, nr Wimborne, Dorset

Secretary: Mrs J Stockdale. Telephone: 01258 455412

### QUANTOCK STAGHOUNDS

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST. First race: 12.30pm

COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset

Secretaries: Mrs B Tully & Mrs S Baker. Telephone: 01278 732944

### BLACKMORE & SPARKFORD VALE\*

### SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH. First race: 12.30pm

CHARLTON HORETHORNE, nr Sherborne, Dorset

Secretary: Mrs C Hinks. Telephone: 01963 370260

### NEW FOREST\* - SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH.

First race: 12.30pm

LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire

Secretary: Mr J Young. Telephone: 01590 622515

### WILTON - Saturday, March 21st

First (Charity Flat) race: 12.30pm

First (Point-to-Point) race: 1.30pm

MILBORNE ST ANDREW, nr Bere Regis, Dorset

Secretaries: Mr & Mrs M Elgar. Telephone: 01722 718368

### MENDIP FARMERS\*

SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND. First race: 12.30pm

EASTON, nr Shepton Mallet, Somerset

Secretary: Mrs M Dowds. Telephone: 01761 241339

### AVON VALE - SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH.

First race: 1.30pm

LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire

Secretary: Mrs A Palmer. Telephone: 07976 335400

### COTLEY\* - SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH.

First race: 1.30pm

### COTLEY, nr Chard, Somerset

Secretary: Mr A Palmer. Telephone: 01297 678525

### PORTMAN

#### EASTER SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH.

First race: 2.00pm

BADBURY RINGS, nr Wimborne, Dorset

Secretary: Mrs S Old. Telephone: 01258 817101

### TAUNTON VALE FOXHOUNDS & HARRIERS\* - EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 6TH.

First race: 1.30pm

KINGSTON ST MARY, nr Taunton, Somerset

Secretary: Mrs V Kemp. Telephone: 01404 881353

### SEAVINGTON - SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH.

First race: 2.00pm

LITTLEWINDSOR, nr Beaminster, Dorset

Secretary: Mr G Rendell. Telephone: 01308 868332

### SOUTH & WEST WILTS

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH

First (Charity Flat) race: 1.15pm

First (Point-to-Point) race: 2.00pm

LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire

Secretary: Mrs E Marriott. Telephone: 01747 840062

### DEVON & SOMERSET STAGHOUNDS

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD. First race: 2pm

### HOLNICOTE, nr Minehead, Somerset

Secretary: Mrs J Rawle. Telephone: 01398 332157

### CATTISTOCK\*

#### BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY, MAY 4TH.

First race: 2pm

LITTLEWINDSOR, nr Beaminster, Dorset

Secretary: Mrs N Atkinson. Telephone: 01935 83892

### MINEHEAD HARRIERS & WEST SOMERSET - SATURDAY, MAY 9TH.

First race: 2pm

HOLNICOTE, nr Minehead, Somerset

Secretaries: Ms K Boutflower & Mrs D Stevens. Telephone: 01984 629266

### WESTON & BANWELL HARRIERS\*

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH.

First race: 4.30pm

COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset

Secretary: Mr J Fear. Telephone: 01278 783261

### WEST SOMERSET VALE\*

#### SUNDAY, MAY 24TH.

First race: 1.30pm

COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset

Secretary: Miss K Cooke. Telephone: 01934 853330

\*Meeting includes pony racing

## Bob Buckler racing

# Ugolin de Beaumont shows his potential

BOB Buckler had a busy time over Christmas and the New Year with mixed results with the novice **UGOLIN DE BEAUMONT** showing good form in only his second race when finishing second to Ghost River in the bumper at Chepstow.

His run is given more credence by the fact that winning trainer Peter Bowen and Rebecca Curtis and Jeremy Scott whose horses finished behind Buckler, rate their charges the

best novice horse they have had.

There was also more success for **BALLYEGAN**, who continued his recent return to form having won twice, finishing second in the novices' handicap hurdle over 2m7f at Exeter on New Year's Day behind the well handicapped Nordic Nymph.

However there was little success for three others at the same meeting. **DIGGER'S MATE** was once again disappointing, finishing last but one in

his hurdle race after being pulled up two days earlier at Taunton, whilst the previously impressive **THE HAPPY WARRIOR** drew another blank when pulled up in the handicap chase over 3m when reasonably placed when horse and jockey got too close to the wings halfway round.

**SOMERSET LIAS** hated the heavy ground and was further hampered when boxed in on the chewed up ground on the final bend after lead-

ing briefly and finished seventh in the 2m3f handicap hurdle. He will need further and better ground in future.

Buckler however was encouraged by his last runner at Exeter, **SAY MY NAME** running in his third bumper coming through to finish fifth.

Buckler said: "It was a lovely run considering he is a four-year old running against older five and six year olds."

"He also struggled in the heavy ground, and after dropping back to almost last approaching the final straight on the chewed up ground, came through with a strong run on the better surface to finish fifth."

**TINKER TIME** after his recent successes, also found the ground far too heavy for him last Saturday in the Class 2 32Red Casino Handicap Chase over 3m at Sandown and finished seventh.

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## INSIDE: New Year local sport round-up

# Uplyme bidding to avoid cup banana skin



◆ FLYING VISIT; Ian Gray

A WATERLOGGED pitch at Thorverton Reserves' Raddon Road Ground halted Lyme Regis first team's hopes of continuing their superb recent Devon & Exeter League Division Three form which has yielded four wins and a draw and 31 goals from the free-scoring Seasiders' front line.

Without tempting fate, Lyme are well up with their fixtures and have completed exactly half of their scheduled programme.

The second half of the season is going to be largely about how Tim Edwards' side adapt to new surroundings with just three of their remaining 12 matches being played at the Davey Fort.

The key games would appear to be the home and away games with fellow promotion contenders Exeter University (A - January 24th) and (H - April 25th) along with the trips to Woodbury (April 18th) and Dartmoor-based Chagford (April 11th) who have clearly bolstered their squad since the 2-1 defeat at the Fort back in September and banked three more points with a 9-3 win at

by Howard Larcombe  
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Pinhoe on Saturday in the only game played in the Division at the weekend.

Next up for Lyme is Saturday's visit by bottom of the table Pinhoe who are on a miserable run of six straight defeats and lost manager Dave Bennett who resigned on Monday. Kick-off at the Fort is 2.15pm.

| D&E DIV 3 - top             | Pld | GD | Pts |
|-----------------------------|-----|----|-----|
| Exmouth Town Reserves.....  | 15  | 36 | 33  |
| LYME REGIS.....             | 14  | 45 | 30  |
| Henry's Cronies .....       | 11  | 31 | 26  |
| Woodbury.....               | 12  | 14 | 26  |
| Exeter University 5ths..... | 12  | 8  | 25  |
| Chagford.....               | 14  | 12 | 22  |

Lyme Regis Reserves' second-half of the season has been disrupted by the news that goalkeeper Will Meech is likely to be sidelined for the remainder of the campaign by

the knee injury that has restricted him to just six matches.

Manager Gerard Hitchcock is likely to turn to utility man Ryan Turner to don the gloves and take over between the sticks.

On Saturday The Ressies, currently eighth in the PSDL Premier Division head off to the Slades Cross slope to take on a Combe Reserves' side no doubt still smarting from a 6-3 Coronation Cup Final defeat against Shepton Beauchamp despite leading 2-0 with nine minutes left! Lyme Regis Bantams are without a fixture.

There's an intriguing Daisy Hutchings Cup last 16 tie (2pm ko) at Venlake where UPLYME, currently lying midtable in Division Two, welcome a reformed Merriott Rovers who are clearly running away with the Division Four title having re-entered the league in August.

Despite being favourites on paper, The Swallows will do well to be in the last eight come 5pm on Saturday. Uplyme Reserves have no fixture.

Finally, CHARMOUTH will have hopes of moving into the top half of the Division Two table with a victory over lowly visitors Combe A at Barrs Lane.

### Local teams top-scorers:

**LYME REGIS:** Joe Bond 15, Declan Ellis 11, Mark Bailey 8.

**LYME REGIS RESERVES:** Pete Peacock 4.

**LYME REGIS BANTAMS:** Shaun Stewart 9.

**UPLYME:** Jake Bearpark 12, Dan Boot 7, Tom Gollop 5.

**CHARMOUTH:** Dan Rumsby 12, Elliot Gillings 7.

**UPLYME RESERVES:** Niall Waterhouse 12.

◆ THERE was a welcome face from the past at the Davey Fort on Saturday when ex-player Ian Gray dropped in for a chat with regulars on a visit with his family over from Kansas where he has been living for several years.

Gray was a hard-working attacking midfielder who bagged 133 goals for the Seasiders in the 80s and 90s during which time he also had a season as first team player-manager.

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